

**Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 18, 2017
High School Library
7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Susan Filburn
Nancy Fodera
Lillian McCarthy
Jeanne Obermayer
Michael O'Donnell
Dorothy Sellers
Kevin Schaefer

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Joseph Dragone, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Schaefer called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Earl Wallace 125 Elmer Ave., Schenectady NY, stated he would like to come in and present to the student body.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 4, 2017 Regular Meeting– Approved as submitted

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dragone thanked everyone for a wonderful Spirit Week. He stated everyone involved had done an excellent job.

Dr. Dragone stated Math Movement Night would be on October 19th at the Milton Terrace /Wood Road gym. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Dr. Dragone reminded everyone the 5th annual Fall Family Festival would be held at the Ellms Family Farm on October 21 from 10-3. He invited all to join the fun family event.

He reminded everyone that there would be no school on Friday due to scheduled Professional Development; and invited everyone to attend the Halloween Concert by the Ballston Spa Community Band on October 25 in the Wood Road Cafeteria.

Dr. Dragone recognized Board Appreciation Week and thanked the board for all the important work that they have done.

BTL Goals

Middle School

Pam Motler and members of the BLT presented the 2017-2018 Middle School Goals. The targeted work including Critical Thinking PD and implementation, restorative practice and mediation expansion, making the school greener, character education and student council revision were highlighted and explained.

The Middle School recognized Dr. Dragone and the legacy he is leaving as he embarks on his new career path.

The Middle School team responded to questions from the board.

Gordon Creek

Celeste Keane and members of the BTL presented the 2017-2018 Gordon Creek Goals. The mission statement for the team was shared and explained. The goals included live, love and lead initiatives. The Love initiative includes sharpening focus on student wellness and involving families and community members in school initiatives. Learn improve and expand instructional resources for small group guided reading instruction and maximizing teacher and student use of available instructional technology resources. The Lead initiative includes expanding the current PBIS and Character Education initiatives

The Gordon Creek team responded to questions from the board.

Wood Road

Valarie Karas and members of the BTL presented the 2017-2018 Wood Road Goals. The team discussed the frame work of the goals.

The team recognized Dr. Dragone and his leadership and wished him the best.

The team shared their new mission statement and shared their goals of academic growth and proficiency. The team explained the focus on comprehension, writing and interactive learning experiences and shared their most powerful practices. The goals of collaborative analysis and action, enrichment opportunities and supportive community were highlighted and explained.

The Wood Road team responded to questions from the board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nancy Fodera stated the District Safety Committee had met. She thanked the middle school / high school and elementary staff for the great job during the incident. She stated the staff and students had done an excellent job.

Ms. Fodera stated the BSEF was reviewing grants applications.

Kevin Schaefer stated the Medicaid Compliance Committee met and discussed the system conversion. He reported the conversion had gone smoothly and was in place. Mr. Schaefer reported there had been some information on non-compliance that was being addressed. He stated billing was going well and stated there was a high degree of confidence that the district would receive maximum reimbursement.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #210 - Budget Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the Board of Education approve the budget calendar delineating the activities for the preparation of the 2018-2019 school year budget.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Dorothy Sellers that the Board of Education approve Resolution #210 – Budget Calendar

Ayes all.

Resolution #211 - Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Transfers for October 18, 2017, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Dorothy Sellers that the Board of Education approve Resolution #211 – Budget Transfers

Ayes all.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Stephen Ludwin	Special Education Aide	10/21/17
Norman Young	Driver in Training	10/04/17

Resolution #215 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Kathryn Mion	Teaching Assistant	NYS Teaching Assistant, Level 4	\$21,530/yr. Step 3	10/23/17-10/22/21

Resolution #216 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the position(s) indicated below, with hours, salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Simon Couture	Lifeguard/Learn to Swim Instructor	30	\$9.70/hr.	10/19/17-8/31/18

Resolution #217 - Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) to the following clubs and activities for the 2017-2018 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Melissa Glastetter	Drama Costume Designer (Co-Advisor), MS	\$456.50
Heather Higgins	Homework Club, MT	\$913
Rachel Jeffers	Penny Harvest, HS	\$545
Eric Nelsen	Drama Production Assistant, MS	\$545
Dawn Nolan	Drama Costume Designer (Co-Advisor), MS	\$456.50
Hilary Northrop	Environmental Club, MS	\$545
Justin Pangie	Robotics, MS	\$1,978
Michael Walterich	Outdoor Club, HS	\$545
Kathleen Wanerka	Intramurals (Fall), GC	\$610

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Dorothy Sellers that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #214 - 217

Ayes all.

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MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Dorothy Sellers that the Board of Education accept Walk-On Resolution #218 – Award of Bid – Contract Transportation

Ayes all.

Resolution #218 - Award of Bid – Contract Transportation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the bid be awarded to Durrin Inc. for contract special education transportation to Glendaal School in the daily amount of \$198.00, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Susan Filburn, seconded by Dorothy Sellers that the Board of Education approve Walk-On Resolution #218 – Award of Bid – Contract Transportation

Ayes all.

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA

BSTA thanked Dr. Dragone for the years of collaborative work.

Student Council reported on homecoming events. An increased participation in all homecoming events was reported. Student Council reminded everyone of the Mr. Ballstonian event. Student Council stated they were planning to more great events and improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Kevin Schaefer thanked Dr. Dragone for his nine years of outstanding service. He stated the district had improved in every area because of Dr. Dragone's outstanding work. He wished him well.

MOTION BY Dottie Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board