A virtual meeting of the Berlin Board of Education was held beginning at 6:00 pm. Present for the meeting were, Louise Valliere, Scott Losier, Ann Nolin, Matthew Buteau, Jeanne Charest, Julie King, Marion Moore, Tammy Fauteux, Sandy Pouliot, Michael Kelley, Jake Moore, Sonya L'Heureux, Autie Hamilton, Martha Miller, Jamie Welch, Susanne Styles, Cheryl McCormick, Ted McCormick, Holly Paquette, Celine Leborgne, Ted Pacheco, and a member of the press.

**MINUTES** 

On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2020 meeting, public and nonpublic sessions. The motion passed unanimously except for Louise Valliere who was experiencing technical difficulty.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to approve the warrant dated, June 8, 2020, for the amount of \$679,482.32. A question on tuition reimbursement was answered. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed and approved the financial report.

COMMENTS

Jamie Welch thanked the building administrators, IT Department, School Board members and the Superintendent. The staff feels they are all on their side and appreciate their efforts. The staff as a whole has worked effortlessly.

FEDERAL & STATE

On a motion by Matt Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to authorize, Julie King, Superintendent, the authority to accept monies for federal and state grants that occur during the 2020-2021 school year. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative

SUPER REPORT

The Superintendent informed the Board on the following:

- Car parade for the 5 staff retirees. It was a fun time and the retirees appreciated the effort
- Graduation parade on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm starting in the BMHS parking lot. It will be much like the senior walk.
- Graduation is on Friday, June 12, 2020 at Gaydo Field
- Summer programs, (SPED, Title I, Credit Recovery, and afterschool program) will be done remotely.
- Health Science has completed their necessary hours and are ready to be tested.
- Welding is still working on credits
- There have been more requests for building use recently since other buildings are closed. This
  would result in more cleaning costs and increased risk of exposure. The district will keep buildings
  closed to the public through the summer.
- Sports usually have summer programs. Guidelines are being worked on for outside practices.
   Basketball will be outside.
- Budget Update Monday June 8, 2020 Council work session to reduce the budget
- Summer meeting schedule June 18, 2020, July 16, 2020 and August 20, 2020.
- The Superintendent brought up the summer meeting schedule. Option of having the Board meet at
  the BMHS library and allow the public to zoom into the meeting. A concern was brought up about
  only holding one monthly meeting in the summer. Should we add meetings to allow public to
  comment regarding plan for reopening school in the fall. Louise Valliere suggested to keep the

June and July meetings as scheduled and then take it from there. She suggested placing it on the agenda for the second meeting in June. The Superintendent has received letters from two unions stating they would like to be involved in the planning for the 2020-2021 school year. Decision to add a meeting on August 6, 20202 and review July date at June meeting.

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- Purchasing a new K-5 math program, Bridges, Principal Fauteux spoke about the K-5 curriculum and the features of the new program

#### COMMENTS

None

## MEMBER BUSINESS

Louise Valliere expressed thanks to the staff and how lucky the public is for all their hard work.

Matt Buteau thanked the administrators, School Board, and staff and stated he could not be prouder to be a part of this. He encouraged the School Board to attend council meetings

Scott Losier stated he is proud to be a part of Berlin Public Schools and we are lucky to have a dedicated staff and Superintendent.

Jeanne Charest commented on being a new School Board member and trying to figure everything out. This has been a tough year for everyone.

Ann Nolin thanked the administrators, Superintendent, and IT Department. She is proud to be part of the Community.

## **NON PUBLIC**

On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to go into nonpublic session at 6:53 pm in accordance with RSA 91-A3II, (a), (b) & (c). On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to come out of nonpublic session at 7:30 pm. The motion passed unanimously. No additional votes were taken in nonpublic session.

#### **STAFFING**

On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve the following staffing changes:

# **RESIGNATIONS:**

#### **TEACHER NOMINATIONS:**

Christine Caouette – Chemistry Teacher - BMHS (9-12) Theresa Andolina - Math Teacher – BMHS (6-8) Colleen Poulin – Grade 5 Teacher - BES

### **NOMINATIONS:**

On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

All nominations are contingent on the applicant completing a successful background check and physical.

The Board was informed of the following staffing changes:

Peter Peare – Athletic Director BMHS (6-8) Craig Melanson – Athletic Director BMHS (9-12)

# BMHS Coaches (9-12)

Holly Munce – Girls 1<sup>st</sup> Asst Soccer JV Nicole Arguin – Varsity Field Hockey Paul Arguin – 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Field Hockey – JV Tony Valliere – Varsity Boys Soccer Robert Lord – Varsity Boys & Girls Cross Country Alan Woodward – Varsity Girls Soccer Coach **Retirement:** 

Maurice Tibbetts - Custodian - BMHS

K-5 MATH

On a motion by Matt Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to approve to fund the K-5 Math program presented by Mrs. Fauteux. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative

On a motion by Matthew Buteau, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to adjourn it's meeting at 7:33 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Berlin Board of Education

# MINUTES BERLIN BOARD of EDUCATION NONPUBLIC SESSION June 4, 2020

On a motion by Ann Nolin, seconded by Jeanne Charest, the Board voted to go into nonpublic session at 6:53 pm. in accordance with RSA 91-A3II (a), (b), and (c). On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative.

The Board discussed staffing

The Board was updated on unused vacation days

The Board was informed of the disclosure on the coaching contracts in the event sports get cancelled.

The process of evaluating the Superintendent was discussed

On a motion by Louise Valliere, seconded by Ann Nolin, the Board voted to come out of nonpublic session at 7:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Berlin Board of Education