

4/21/2009 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District, held at the Berlin Jr/Sr High School

Present: Frank Zwack, Julie Darling, Donald French, Elizabeth Miller, Thomas Morelli, Jeffrey Paine, Beverly Stewart
Absent: No one
Also Present: Charlotte Gregory, Cathie Allain, Michelle Colvin, Cyril Grant, Dennis Healy, Scott Hunter, Eileen Leffler, Jennifer Morris, Sandra Owens
Guests included: Bob Schofield, Becky Giumarra, David Flint, Lauren Nichols, Jason Breh, Donna Kelly, Tammy Osterhout, Pam DeShane, Ken Masterson, Gina Goodermote, John Greene, Andy Zlotnick, Atshui Aker, John Nash, Patty Nash, Tyler Sawyer, Dawn Demick, Jane Halleck, Kathy Smith, Cindy Mars, Dorothy Stall, Toni Dolan, RC Miller, Bill Bourquard, Sue Hoffman, Amy Cornell, Gloria Adams, Diane Paine, Colleen Foody, Warren French, Kathy Burdick, Karen Deiana, Mark Deiana, Sandy Griswold, Monica Shupe, Christine Walsh, Madonna Roy

President Zwack convened the meeting at 7:01 PM with all seven board members present.

On motion of Liz Miller, second by Tom Morelli, minutes of the 3/17/2009, 3/31/2009, and 4/2/2009 meetings were approved.

On motion of Tom Morelli, second by Donald French, minutes of the 4/7/2009 meeting were approved with 6 YES votes (Darling, French, Miller, Morelli, Paine and Stewart) and 1 ABSTAINMENT (Zwack).

Action Items IV 2 Personnel Action, IV 5 Non-Public Transportation Requests for 2009-2010, and IV 11 AANet Contract Extension were pulled for further discussion.

On motion of Julie Darling, second by Jeffrey Paine, the following Action Items (#1,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,12) were unanimously approved:

- Treasurer's Reports from 3/1/2009 – 3/31/2009 General Fund, Special Aid Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Capital Fund

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Approval of the following recommendations of the Committee on Special Education: 101883, 103264, 102915, 103176, 102088, 000082214, 103278, 000100152, 102263

- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby accepts the March 2009 Claims Audit as submitted.

- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approves the following budget transfers:

| Code From | Code To | Amount | |
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| 2250.4710 | 2250.4720 | \$10,000.00 | - RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approves the following fundraisers pursuant to Board of Education Policy 5.350-02: |
| 5510.5710 | 2815.4000 | \$6,000.00 | |

- Hoffman Car Wash Tickets – Class of 2010

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- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approves the Class of 2010 request for transportation to and from Afrim's Sport Complex for the After Prom Party on May 16 & 17, 2009.

- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approves the BES PTO request for custodial coverage for the Family-A-Faire function to be held on April 25, 2009.

- #10) SURPLUS ITEMS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby declares the following items as surplus, with such items to be appropriately disposed of:

| Qty | ISBN/Part No. | Description | Bldg |
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| 9 | 0-86737-120-X | The No-Nonsense Guide to Food & Nutrition - 1981 | HS |
| 18 | 0-88421-781-7 | Management Skills for Creative Living – 1979 | HS |
| 28 | 0-88421-780-9 | Interpersonal Skills for Creative Living – 1979 | HS |
| 15 | 0-8219-0185-0 | Resources for Living – 1987 | HS |

- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby adopts the 2009-2010 as follows:

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| SEPTEMBER 2009 | | | | | | |
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| FEBRUARY 2010 | | | | | | |
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| MARCH 2010 | | | | | | |
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| JUNE 2010 | | | | | | |
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| Sept 1 & 2 | Superintendents Conference |
| Sept 7 | Labor Day Holiday |
| Sept 8 | Classes Begin |
| Oct 12 | Columbus Day Holiday |
| Nov 10 | Emergency Closing Day |
| Nov 11 | Veteran's Day Holiday |
| Nov 26-27 | Thanksgiving Recess |
| Dec 24-Jan 1 | Holiday Recess |
| Jan 4 | Classes Begin |
| Jan 18 | Martin Luther King Holiday |
| Jan 26-29 | Regents Testing |
| Feb 15-19 | Winter Recess |
| Apr 2 | Good Friday |
| Apr 5-9 | Spring Recess |
| May 31 | Memorial Day |
| June 25 | 181 st Teacher Work Day |

Classes not in session

Regents Testing

- Superintendents Conf Day
- Possible Give Back Snow Day

| Total Number of Days Per Month | |
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| September | 17 |
| October | 21 |
| November | 18 |
| December | 17 |
| January | 19 |
| February | 15 |
| March | 23 |
| April | 16 |
| May | 20 |
| June | 18 |
| Total # of Pupil Days | 184 |
| Conference Days | 2 |
| 181 st Teacher Work Day | 1 |
| Total Days | 187 |

Discussion on Action Item IV #5 Non-Public Transportation Requests for 2009-2010 occurred. On motion of Tom Morelli, second by Beverly Stewart, the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District unanimously approved/denied the following Non-Public Transportation Requests for 2009-2010:

| DOB | Grade | School | Within 15-mile Limit | Over 15-mile Limit |
|----------|-------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 080394CA | 10 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 051993NI | 11 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 092796GR | 8 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 100396DA | 8 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 020793NI | 11 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 051695MA | 9 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 090992LA | 11 | Catholic Central | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 031797AM | 7 | Doane Stuart | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 021494KY | 10 | Emma Willard | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 041595FR | 8 | Emma Willard | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 080598EL | 6 | Grace Christian | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 040201SA | 3 | Grace Christian | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 100596SC | 8 | Grace Christian | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 082894JO | 10 | LaSalle | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 122692TY | 11 | LaSalle | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 120993MI | 9 | LaSalle | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 090392DA | 12 | LaSalle | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 022794JA | 10 | LaSalle | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 032693AD | 11 | LaSalle | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 022393TA | 11 | LaSalle | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 090893CO | 10 | LaSalle | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 012093FE | 11 | Oakwood | | X-denied 4/21/2009 |
| 092597CA | 6 | Sacred Heart | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 120800EM | 3 | Sacred Heart | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 050700JO | 4 | Sacred Heart | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 060901RO | 3 | Sacred Heart | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 080399SA | 5 | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 031804ET | K | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 091500NO | 4 | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 022203KY | 1 | St. Jude | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 040303JO | 1 | St. Jude | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 091199SA | 4 | St. Jude | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 043001GA | 3 | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 111203MA | 1 | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 121199MA | 4 | St. Jude | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 091999BE | 5 | St. Mary's | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 122101FR | 2 | St. Mary's | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 033096EL | 8 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 041402GA | 2 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 092498NI | 5 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 052104RY | K | St. Mary's | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 060800AN | 4 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 031996ER | 8 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 031986MA | 8 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |

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| 060800WI | 4 | St. Mary's | | X - approved 4/21/2009 |
| 032503KA | 1 | Susan O'Dell | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |
| 062900SE | 4 | Susan O'Dell | X - approved 4/21/2009 | |

The Superintendent's Report included:

- 1. Program Review & Analysis for Geometry & Algebra - Lauren Nichols, Math Curriculum Coordinator, reported that progress is being made; it takes time. Good teaching is going on, technology and hands-on projects are helping to bring excitement to the classroom.**
- 2. Middle School Update – Cathie Allain, MS Principal, gave an up-date on the progress of the Middle School. The Report included information on the homework club, student attendance, discipline, honor roll, and summer school results.**

The Discussions & Recommendations portion included:

- 1. Election Of Members Of The R-C-G Board Of Cooperative Educational Services And Approval Of The 2009-2010 Boces Administrative Budget**

Rensselaer County

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Erin Loffredo, Averill Park, NY (from the Averill Park Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

5 For (Darling, Miller, Paine, Stewart, Zwack)

2 Abstentions (French, Morelli)

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mr. Paul Puccio, Castleton, NY (from the Schodack Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

5 For (Darling, Miller, Paine, Stewart, Zwack)

2 Abstentions (French, Morelli)

Columbia County

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Edna Knabbe, Ghent, NY (from the Chatham Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

5 For (Darling, Miller, Paine, Stewart, Zwack)

2 Abstentions (French, Morelli)

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the 2009-2010 Tentative Administrative Budget in the amount of \$3,827,613.

3 For (Miller, Paine, Zwack)

4 Against (Darling, French, Morelli, Stewart)

- 2. Appoint Board Members to Award Diplomas (6/26/2009) – Frank Zwack and Jeff Paine volunteered.**
- 3. Budget Development & Adoption – Interim Business Administrator, Scott Hunter and Intern Business Administrator, Sandy Owens presented information on the proposed 2009-2010 budget; discussion occurred.**

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On the motion of Liz Miller, second by Jeffrey Paine, the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District adopted the 2009-2010 budget in the amount of \$18,281,715, with such amount reflecting a tax levy increase of zero percent; 4 YES votes (Darling, Miller, Paine, Zwack), and 3 NO votes (French, Morelli, Stewart)

4. Superintendent Search – Bev Stewart reported that the Board had decided to go ahead with the search; using the services of Western New York Educational Services Council.

The Oral Communications portion included concerns over the Health Office staffing at the BES for the 2009-2010 school year and concerns and questions regarding the upcoming vote. Board members were asked to email vote questions to the Superintendent's Office who would forward them to legal counsel and have the questions and answers posted to the webpage.

Calendar of Meetings

May 5, 2009 – Budget Hearing – Jr/Sr High School – 7:00 PM

May 6, 2009 – Superintendent

May 19, 2009 – Budget Vote/Election – Berlin Fire Hall – 12:00 – 9:00 PM

May 20, 2009 – Regular Meeting – Jr/Sr High School – 7:00 PM

On motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Beverly Stewart, executive session to discuss specific personnel items was entered at 10:14 PM, with public session resuming at 10:55 PM on motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Julie Darling.

On the motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Liz Miller, the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District unanimously approved the following Personnel Actions:

APPOINTMENTS:

The following new appointments are contingent on passing the fingerprinting mandates:

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint the following person to the 2008-2009 Non-Instructional Substitute List – effective 4/22/2009

Maxon, Daryl – Bus Driver

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint the following people to the 2008-2009 Instructional Substitute List – effective 4/22/2009

Ryan, Nicole – Non-Certified

Springer, Michelle – Certified – Childhood Education 1-6, Students with Disabilities 1-6

APPOINTMENTS:

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint

Louise Harrison – Bus Driver (replacing Robert Smith) – Grafton Late Run – 1 hour per day – 4 days per week @ \$17.92 per hour – effective 4/2/2009

Tenure Appointments:

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint the following to tenure effective 9/1/2009

Christian, Matthew – Science Teacher

Flanigan, Kasey – Elementary Teacher

Labnon, Katherine – Music Teacher

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Santarcangelo, Joshua – Social Studies Teacher

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Deanna Quandt – Elementary Summer School Pre-Kindergarten Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/13/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Vivian Healy – Elementary Summer School Pre-Kindergarten Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/13/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Megan Brown – Elementary Summer School Primary ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Brenda Dixon – Elementary Summer School Primary ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Daniel Dobbins – Elementary Summer School Primary ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Katie Bryce – Elementary Summer School Primary ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Marlene Murray – Elementary Summer School Intermediate ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Ariel Hodges – Elementary Summer School Intermediate ELA Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Nichole Tempest – Elementary Summer School Primary Math Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Kasey Flanigan – Elementary Summer School Primary Math Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Patricia DiPierro – Elementary Summer School Primary Math Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Valeda McLenithan – Elementary Summer School Intermediate Math Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Debra Lennon – Elementary Summer School Intermediate Math Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Louis Amendolara – Elementary Summer School Special Education Teacher - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009

Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Lauren Nichols– Elementary Summer School Program Coordinator - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/13/2009

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**Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Margot Roberts–
Elementary Summer School Instructional Teaching Assistant - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009**

**Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Patricia Weber–
Elementary Summer School Technology Teaching Assistant - effective 7/6/2009 – 8/6/2009**

On the motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Liz Miller, the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approved the 2009-2010 Questar III Final Service Request in the amount of \$1,835,575 with 4 YES votes (Darling, Miller, Paine, Zwack) and 3 NO votes (French, Morelli, Stewart).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 PM on motion of Julie Darling, second by Liz Miller.

Mary M. Grant, District Clerk