

7/23/2008 Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District, held at the Berlin Elementary School

**Present:** Frank Zwack, Julie Darling, Elizabeth Miller, Thomas Morelli, Jeffrey Paine, Beverly Stewart  
**Absent:** Donald French  
**Also Present:** Charlotte Gregory, Michelle Colvin, Dennis Healy, Eileen Leffler, Jennifer Morris, Sandra Owens  
**Guests included:** Doug Dickinson, Diane Paine, Dawn Demick, John Slyer

President Zwack convened the meeting at 6:33 PM with six board members present.

Doug Dickinson presented up-dated information on the proposed building project that included: reconfiguration of the 6 classrooms for the new construction, storage area for the kitchen, relocation of the faculty room, consultation with a kitchen consultant, cafeteria expansion, placement of the OT/PT, playground materials, escalation of prices, modification of fire/safety systems, and alternative energy systems.

Discussion on the project timeline occurred; attention to the occupation of the new construction areas was paid.

The charge was to move forward with estimates on this project; Ms. Gregory to contact Bernie Donegan.

On motion of Julie Darling, second by Liz Miller, executive session to discuss specific personnel items was entered at 7:56 PM, with public session resuming at 9:00 PM on motion of Liz Miller, second by Jeffrey Paine.

On motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Liz Miller, the Board of Education unanimously approved the following:  
**PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS:**

- Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Cathie Allain – Probationary Appointment - Middle School Principal (replacing John Slyer) @ \$80,000 – Permanent Certification School District Administrator – effective 7/24/2008 – 7/24/2011
- Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Tammy Whitman as Tax Collector @ \$6,200 – effective 7/24/2008 – 6/30/2009
- Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Lauren Nichols Academic Chair for Math @ \$3,832 - effective 7/24/2008
- Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to appoint Tracy Peter Academic Chair for English @ \$3,832 - effective 7/24/2008

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## **RESIGNATION**

- **Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent to accept the resignation of John Slyer – Middle School Principal – effective 7/9/2008**

**On motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Liz Miller, the Board of Education unanimously approved**

**- RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District hereby approves the following amendment to the 2008-2009 Questar III Final Service Request**

- **Addition of CO-SER 621.040 School Fiscal Support – appointment of Scott Hunter as Interim Business Official (replacing William Hogan) – 3 days per week @ \$500 per day – effective 7/24/2008**

**Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board approved the recommendation for Sandy Owens to participate in a business administrator training program as an administrative intern. Her title shall be Transportation Director/Business Administrator intern at her current salary. The Superintendent and the Board of Education will review her status upon completing certification requirements for the Business Leadership Program for any further action.**

### **Calendar of Meetings**

**Monday, August 11, 2008 – Special Workshop – BES – 6:30 PM**

**Tuesday, August 19, 2008 – Regular Meeting – HS – 7:00 PM**

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM on motion of Jeffrey Paine, second by Liz Miller.**

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**Mary M. Grant, District Clerk**