

The February 23, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Byron Board of Education was brought to order by Mr. David L. Mitchell, President, at 7:30 p.m. in the George Vince Community Library, Byron High School, 312 W. Maple Avenue, Byron, MI 48418.

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Anibal, D. Crawford, R. Markley, D. Mitchell, M. McGuire, G. Viener

MEMBERS ABSENT: R. Armstrong

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: D. Scow, S. Vowles, T. Dykstra, T. Krejci, S. Riley

OTHERS PRESENT: P. Ebner, M. Nastally, J. Passig, R. Burman, M. Potter, A. Lawrence, A. Richardson, T. Butcher, G. Lance, J. Greene, Z. Stevens

Recognition of Building Administrators – Michigan Principals’ Week (February 9-13, 2009)

Building Administrators: Penny Kentish McWilliams (Byron Elementary School Principal), Steve Vowles (Byron Middle School Principal) and Tom Dykstra (Byron High School Principal) were recognized by the Board of Education for their hard work and dedication to the students of the Byron Area Schools.

Approval of February 23, 2009 Agenda

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the agenda for the February 23, 2009 meeting as written.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, that the Byron Board of Education accept the Consent Agenda as presented:

- Minutes – January 19, 2009 Regular Meeting and January 26, 2009 Work Session
- Expenditures for January:
 - Computer Printed Prepaid \$156,197.38
 - Prescription Reimbursement 2,818.88
 - General Fund Bills 41,996.64
 - Electronic Fund Transfers 823,617.36
 - TOTAL \$1,024,630.26
- Employment of J.V. Baseball Coach - Mike Shafer
- Equestrian Team Volunteer Coaches – Blythe Ameson and Dorothy Kitchen
- Facility Requests:
 - Youth Wrestling, February 16–March 11, 2009, H.S. Gym Balcony for Youth Wrestling Practice
 - Byron PTA, March 20, 2009, Lobby in front of M.S./H.S. Gym to sell Eagle Wear at Channel 12 No Stars Basketball Game
 - Cub Pack 88, March 20-21, 2009, E.S. Gym and Cafeteria for Cub Scout Lock-In
 - Byron Fireworks Friends, April 18, 2009, H.S. Cafeteria, Fireworks Auction
 - Byron Summer Ball, May 1- July 31, 2009, All Baseball & Softball Fields for Youth Baseball and Softball Program (practices and games)
 - Byron Area Athletic Association (BAAA), November 5, 2009, H.S. Cafeteria for uniform turn-in.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Board Committee Reports

Building & Site: No meeting

Contract Negotiations: No meeting

Curriculum/Professional Development Committee: Theresa Krejci reviewed curriculum activities for January and February noting:

- The M.S./H.S. projector donated by IBM has been installed in the computer lab across from the H.S. Library. A big “Thank You” to Ed Bedell.
- The February 13th Professional Development Day went well.
- MME planning and preparations are taking place for Juniors on March 10, 11 and 12.

- There are currently 29 eighth grade students taking advantage of an after-school “Back on Track” program for Algebra. This is funded through a grant from the State of Michigan. Students are meeting from 3:00-5:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. The program being used is “Odyssey for Learning.”
- Two curriculum change proposals on the agenda for approval this evening:
 - Purchase of BMA I textbooks to align with 2007 software (to be purchased with CTE funds)
 - Ag. Business/Mechanics and Ag. Business/Construction courses to meet fourth year math related graduation requirement.

Comprehensive Health Committee: No meeting

Policy & Guidelines Committee: No Meeting

Shiawassee County School Board Executive Committee: No meeting

Public Input

Mrs. Marge Potter addressed the Board regarding her concerns with procedures followed by the High School administration during an incident involving her daughter on January 26, 2009. Mr. Mitchell directed Mr. Scow to research the incident and respond to Mrs. Potter this week.

Curriculum Change Proposal – Fourth Year Math Related Credit

Moved by Markley, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education award fourth year Math related credit for Ag. Business/Mechanics and Ag. Business/Construction.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Curriculum Change Proposal – Business Management Administration Textbooks

Moved by Crawford, supported by Markley, that the Byron Board of Education approve the purchase of 35 “Microsoft Office 2007” textbooks from Thomson Learning in the total amount of \$3,027.50.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Field Trip Request – BPA (Business Professionals of America)

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the field trip request from Mrs. Custack to take five students to Grand Rapids, MI for the State BPA Leadership Conference from March 19-22, 2009.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Field Trip Request – Cross Country Camp

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, that the Byron Board of Education approve the field trip request from Mrs. Lake-LoFiego to take 10-15 students to Outer Banks, North Carolina to participate in Cross Country Camp from June 21-28, 2009.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Sale of Building Trades House

Moved by Viener, supported by Markley, that the Byron Board of Education approve solicitation of bids to sell the house constructed by the Byron High School Building Trades Class with the minimum bid set at \$15,000.00.

Moved by Anibal, supported by Viener to amend the motion by striking the following: “with the minimum bid set at \$15,000.00” and adding: “and the Board retains the right to accept or reject any or all bids.”

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Amendment to motion approved.

Amended Motion: “The Byron Board of Education approve solicitation of bids to sell the house constructed by the Byron High School Building Trades Class and that the Board retains the right to accept or reject any or all bids.”

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved as amended.

Information Items

- “Soaring Eagle” Nice Job Notices:

Candy Anderson
 Libby Bailey
 Michelle Brenke
 Rebecca Buxton
 Kelly Clock
 Marti Covert
 Dan Cross

Pam Ebner
Lindsey Estep
Carol Geer-Amsterburg
Stella Glass
Kim Janicek
Theresa Krejci (2)
Deb Olrich
Kathy Rodriguez
Barb Ward
Amy Wheaton

▪ Upcoming Dates:

- Fri., March 6Junior High Band Festival – Perry H.S. – 3:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 6Senior High Band Festival – Perry H.S. – 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 13Legislative Breakfast – Lansing – 7:30 a.m.
- Mon., March 16Board of Education Meeting – 7:30 pm
- Thurs., March 19.....Senior Citizen Luncheon – 1:00 pm
- Thurs., March 19.....Band Concert – 7:30 pm
- Fri., March 27H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s” – 7:30 pm – HS
- Sat., March 28.....H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s –2:00 pm – HS
- Sun., March 29.....H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s – 2:00 pm - HS

Closed Session 1 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by McGuire, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student A” at 8:15 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by Crawford, supported by Viener, that the regular meeting reconvene at 8:20 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 2 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by Markley, supported Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student B” at 8:25 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by McGuire, supported by Crawford, that the regular meeting reconvene at 8:47 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 3 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by McGuire, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student C” at 8:48 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, that the regular meeting reconvene at 9:09 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 4 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by Anibal, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student D” at 9:10 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by McGuire, supported by Anibal, that the regular meeting reconvene at 9:42 p.m.
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 5 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by Anibal, supported by McGuire, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student E” at 9:46 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by Crawford, supported by Anibal, that the regular meeting reconvene at 10:00 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Recommendation Regarding Closed Session 5 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education expel “Student E” for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school with special education services provided by the district. “Student E” may apply for re-admission for the 2009-2010 school year at the end of the current school year.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 6 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved by McGuire, supported by Anibal that the Board go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for “Student F” at 10:04 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by Anibal, supported by McGuire, that the regular meeting reconvene at 10:15 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Recommendation Regarding Closed Session 6 – Student Disciplinary Matter

Moved Markley, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education expel “Student F” for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year with the option of enrollment in on-line classes provided by the district. “Student F” may apply for re-admission for the 2009-2010 school year at the end of the current school year.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Closed Session 7 – Superintendent’s Evaluation

Moved by Anibal, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education go into Closed Session for completion of the Superintendent’s Evaluation at 10:17 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Regular Meeting Reconvened

Moved by McGuire, supported by Anibal, that the regular meeting reconvene at 10:20 p.m.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved.

Adjournment

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the meeting adjourn at 10:21 p.m.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 6, No 0, Absent 1. Motion Approved. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

By

Michael McGuire
Secretary