

The January 28, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Byron Board of Education was brought to order by Mr. John Van Agen, Vice-President, at 7:30 p.m. in the George Vince Community Library, Byron High School, 312 W. Maple Avenue, Byron, MI 48418.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Armstrong (7:30 p.m.), J. Anibal (7:30 p.m.), D. Crawford (7:30 p.m.), R. Markley (7:30 p.m.), M. McGuire (7:30 p.m.), J. Van Agen (7:30 p.m.), D. Mitchell (7:35 p.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: D. Scow, P. Kentish-McWilliams, T. Dykstra, T. Krejci, S. Riley, P. Ebner

OTHERS PRESENT: P. Richardson, R. Burman, M. Kundrat, Olivia Lake-LoFiego, S. Ritter, G. Viener, D. Glenn, D. Zimmerman

NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH – JANUARY 2008

As part of National School Board Recognition Month, the Board was presented with a card and pictures from Mrs. Brunet's first grade class. They also were introduced and presented with a certificate of appreciation.

DISASTER DRILL

Mr. Dykstra explained the disaster drill that will be held at the school on February 1, 2008. The Byron High School in conjunction with the Byron Village Police Department, the Burns Township Fire Department, the Shiawassee County Sheriff's Department, the Michigan State Police and the Shiawassee County Emergency Management Department will be conducting a "live" drill. Students and teachers are being asked to volunteer time to act as hostages as there is no school that day. This drill is not a school activity, it is a police agency training that we are allowing in the high school building.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Crawford, supported by Van Agen, that the Byron Board of Education accept the Consent Agenda as written:

- Minutes – December 17, 2007 Regular Meeting and January 16, 2008 Special meeting
- Expenditures for December:

0	Computer Printed Prepaid	\$98,437.88
0	General Fund Bills	22,663.60
0	Electronic Fund Transfers	568,955.98
	TOTAL	\$690,057.46
- Resignation of Cristina Thompson, Food Service Department
- Employment of Ed Bedell as Building and Grounds Assistant
- Employment of Miranda Kundrat as Girls Varsity Track Coach
- Addendum to Current Contract for Anne Boillat (15 additional days)
- Facility Request:
 - 0 Byron Area T-Ball League – April 22-May 22, 2008 – Back soccer and baseball fields.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No. 0. Motion Approved.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Site: Mr. Scow reported on the meeting held January 10, 2008:

- The committee was updated on the significant projects that have been completed recently:
 - Updated electrical service in the bus garage – lighting
 - Updated electrical service in the weight room for computer
 - Installed bell at the middle school portable classrooms (electrical)
 - Installed countertop in computer lab across from the high school library and upgraded computer service to students.
 - Upgraded electrical service to computer lab and library in the high school
 - Gravel patches in bus parking area
 - Installed new safety barriers on gymnasium bleachers.
- The committee was updated on the current plans for improvement:
 - Repair roof section at the elementary school
 - Update exterior and landscaping at both campuses
 - Repaint parking lot at elementary school
 - Angle parking on Ann Street
 - Upgrade bleachers (safety guards) at the high school outdoor athletic facility
 - Resurface and re-stripe the track
 - Install new doors at elementary gymnasium (inside) (Durant Funds)

Contract Negotiations: No meeting

Curriculum/Professional Development Committee: Theresa Krejci reviewed the curriculum activities for the month including:

- Attended a “Team Training” with Bill Banach about developing a marketing plan for the district.
- A School Improvement workday was held on January 24, 2008. The morning was spent discussing the student survey results and working on the action plan. Plans are to disseminate the student survey data to students, staff and parents. Survey results were shared with Board members. The afternoon was spent updating the performance indicators for the Education Yes Report. This portion counts for a third of each building’s grade for the Education Yes Report Card.

Comprehensive Health Committee: Theresa reported on the meeting held January 24, 2008.

- 0 Policy & Guidelines Committee: Mr. Scow reported that the committee met on December 5, 2007 and reviewed the new and revised policies from NEOLA for the first half of the 2007-2008 school year. These policies are included in tonight’s agenda for approval.

Shiawassee County School Board Executive Committee: No meeting

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Ronda Burman addressed the Board regarding her concern about the dress code at the middle school and high school. She was concerned about the discrepancies between the two policies and the enforcement and subsequent discipline at the middle school for a second violation of the dress code at that building.

Mr. Mitchell responded that the Board would take her comments under consideration.

REVISED NEOLA BYLAWS AND POLICIES

Moved by Markley, supported by McGuire, that the Byron Board of Education approve the new and revised bylaws and policies from NEOLA as presented.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

ALGEBRA I TEXTBOOKS

Moved by Van Agen, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the purchase of up to 125 textbooks from Prentice Hall when budget considerations allow.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

NEW COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FOR BMA I, II, III and DESKTOP PUBLISHING I

Moved by Crawford, supported by Van Agen, that the Byron Board of Education approve the new course descriptions for BMA (Business Management and Administration) I, II, III and Desktop Publishing I as presented.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

COURSE NAME CHANGE FROM GRAPHIC ARTS TO DESKTOP PUBLISHING II

Moved by Van Agen, supported by Markley, that the Byron Board of Education approve changing the name of Graphic Arts to Desktop Publishing II.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

COURSE NAME CHANGE FROM HONORS BIOLOGY II TO ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve changing the name of Honors Biology II to Anatomy and Physiology.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

ADDITION OF MACHINE TOOL II COURSE TO HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Moved by Markley, supported by Van Agen, that the Byron Board of Education approve adding a Machine Tool II class to the high school curriculum.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

RESTRUCTURING OF ADVANCED MATH COURSES AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Moved by Van Agen, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the proposal to consolidate College Algebra/Trigonometry and Analysis to create a Pre-calculus course and separate Calculus course.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

CHANGE NAME OF GLOBAL STUDIES TO HISTORY 12

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve changing the name of twelfth grade Global Studies to History 12.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

UNIT FROM GLOBAL STUDIES ADDED TO GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS

Moved by Van Agen, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve changing a unit from twelfth grade Global Studies to eleventh grade Government/Economics.

Vote (Voice Vote): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

SALE OF USED BUS

Moved by Anibal, supported by Van Agen, that the Byron Board of Education table the motion to sell used bus #90-7.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Tabled.

PURCHASE OF BUS

Moved by Van Agen, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the purchase of one, 2006, 72-passenger bus from Midwest Transit Equipment in the total amount of \$64,400.

Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS and UPCOMING DATE

A. “Soaring Eagle” Nice Job Notices:

- Mike Valasek
- Laura Brunet
- Jody Williamson
- Miranda Kundrat
- Theresa Krejci
- Pam Richardson
- Sarah Fondren
- Tate Forbush
- Lisa Lambert
- Carol Amsterburg
- Colette Schaefer
- Deb Olrich
- Kathy Rodriguez
- Autumn McGuire
- Kelly Clock

B. Upcoming Dates:

- January 30-31 Parent Teacher Conferences (4:00 – 8:00 pm)
- February 1 No School Students and Staff
- February 1 Crisis Drill @ BHS (8:30 – 11:30 am)
- February 2 Sno-Ball Dance @ BHS (8:00 p.m.)
- February 3 Honors Band Performance @ Perry High School – 2:30 pm
- February 5 Board Work Session with Gunnard Johnson, MASB – 6:30 pm
- February 9 State FFA Alumni Banquet @ Byron High School
- February 13 Board petitions due to County Clerk’s Office – 4:00 pm
- February 15 Professional Development Day (no students)
- February 15 & 16 French Dinner Theater @ BES (6:00 p.m.)
- February 18 Presidents’ Day – No School
- February 20 Policy & Guidelines Committee Meeting (6:30 pm)
(Jim Anibal, Mike McGuire, Dave Mitchell)
- February 25 February Board Meeting (7:30 p.m.)

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the meeting adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

Vote (Voice): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

By

Michael McGuire
Secretary