

The March 16, 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, R. Armstrong, D. Crawford, R. Markley, D. Mitchell, M. McGuire, G. Viener

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

OTHERS PRESENT: P. Ebner, A. Lawrence, M. Nastally, S. Ritter, J. Root, Tim Orlando, Terri Orlando, T. Forbush, O. Lake-LoFiego, M. Kundrat, T. Butcher, K. Gulick, A. Tabor

### **Approval of March 16, 2009 Amended Agenda**

Moved by Markley, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education approve the amended agenda for the March 16, 2009 meeting as written.

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

### **Consent Agenda**

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

- Minutes – February 23, 2009 Regular Meeting
- Expenditures for February:
  - Computer Printed Prepaid \$138,132.97
  - Prescription Reimbursement 0.00
  - General Fund Bills 51,890.55
  - Electronic Fund Transfers 585,224.73
  - TOTAL \$775,248.25
- Resignation of Homecoming Coordinator – Pam Richardson
- Facility Requests:
  - Byron Youth Wrestling, March 26, 2009, E.S. Cafeteria for Banquet at 6:30 p.m.
  - Byron PTA, March 27, 2009, E.S. Cafeteria for Family Movie Night at 6:30 p.m.
  - Byron Area Baccalaureate Committee, May 31, 2009, E.S. Gym for Baccalaureate Service at 2:30 p.m.
  - Crystal All Starz (C.A.S.) Cheerleaders, April 21, 2009, H.S. Cafeteria for Team Registration at 6:30 p.m.
  - Pack 88 Cub Scouts, May 4, 2009, E.S. Cafeteria for Cub Scout Round-Up at 6:00 p.m.

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

### **Board Committee Reports**

**Building & Site:** Mr. Scow reported the committee met on March 10<sup>th</sup>. They recommended the Board proceed with several projects:

- Installation of new, more energy efficient lighting in the elementary and middle school gymnasiums.
- Installation of new lifts and safety straps for the basketball backboards at the elementary school gym due to the potential safety hazard.
- Installation of safety “kick boards” on the bleachers at the football field due to the potential safety hazard.

The committee recommended postponing several projects including installation of new volleyball standards in the middle school gym.

The committee has requested pricing for new boiler controls on all boilers (energy efficiency), replacement of cracked and uneven concrete at the middle school and repair of the potholes in the parking lots.

**Contract Negotiations:** The Contract Negotiations Committee met on March 10, 2009 regarding administrative contracts.

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

- The MME testing has been completed.
- The Committee reviewed a Curriculum Change Proposal that will be presented to the Board for approval at the April 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting for title changes to some of the Family and Consumer Science Courses per the Michigan State-Approved Family and Consumer Science Course Credit Guide.
- There are currently 17 eighth grade students taking advantage of an after-school "Back on Track" program for Algebra.

Comprehensive Health Committee: Meeting planned for Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Policy & Guidelines Committee: Meeting planned for Monday, March 23, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Shiawassee County School Board Executive Committee: No meeting

### **Public Input**

Mr. Tim Orlando addressed the Board regarding an incident that occurred at Genesee Middle School involving his son during half-time of a middle school basketball game. He thanked Mr. Scow for his follow-up of the incident but expressed his concern regarding supervision. Mr. Scow noted that the administrators of both schools have been in contact about this matter. Mr. Mitchell thanked Mr. Orlando and noted that Mr. Scow would continue to stay in touch with them regarding their concerns.

### **FCCLA FIELD TRIP REQUEST – State Leadership Conference**

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, that the Byron Board of Education approve the field trip request from Ms. Miranda Kundrat for three students to attend the FCCLA State Leadership Conference in Midland, MI from April 22-24, 2009.

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

### **FFA FIELD TRIP REQUEST – Rewards Trips**

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve Mr. Tate Forbush's request to take 23 students to Oak Hill, West Virginia to participate in a rewards trip from June 8-10, 2009.

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

### **BYRON AREA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (BAAA) CONTRACT**

Moved by Markley, supported by McGuire, that the Byron Board of Education approve the General Agreement between the Byron Area Athletic Association and the Byron Area Schools, beginning June 3, 2009 and ending June 3, 2010.

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

### **GYMNASIUM LIGHTING**

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the quote from Standard Electric Company for replacement of lights in both gymnasiums in the total amount of \$9,482.50.

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

### **BACKBOARD LIFTERS AND SAFETY STRAPS**

Moved by McGuire, supported by Markley that the Byron Board of Education approve the quote from Copperstone Gym for backboard lift and safety equipment at the Byron Elementary School in the total amount of \$10,282.00.

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

### **FOOTBALL FIELD BLEACHER SAFETY UPGRADE**

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the quote of \$13,300.00 from H & H Enterprises for safety upgrades (risers) to the bleachers on the football field.

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

### **CREDIT DEVIATION REQUEST**

Moved by McGuire, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education accept the credit deviation request for Student A as proposed by Mr. Dykstra and reviewed by the Curriculum/Professional Development Committee.

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

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT**

Moved by Markley, supported by McGuire, that the Byron Board of Education offer Daniel L. Scow, Superintendent of Schools, a one-year extension of his current three-year contract.

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

### **SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Moved by Viener, supported by McGuire, that the Byron Board of Education schedule a Special Board Meeting for Monday, March 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. for consideration of building administrators contracts.

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

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- “Soaring Eagle” Nice Job Notices:

*Faculty & Staff*  
Carol Amsterburg  
Ed Bedell  
Dee Dee Brunet  
Deb Custack  
Larry Dumond  
Sarah Fondren  
Mina Forbush  
Kim Janicek  
Miranda Kundrat  
Lisa Lambert  
Kari Moody  
Dave Richardson  
Pam Richardson  
Kathy Rodriguez

Lisa Trebtoske

*Students:*

Robert Burack  
Eric Domanski  
Lindsey Garner  
Kathy Eberly  
Mike Jennings  
Kimberly Keith  
Megan L’Esperance  
Jessica Martin  
Chelsea Potter  
Tessa Roux  
Jaklyn Schlusler  
Moriah Thompson

- Upcoming Dates:

- Thurs., March 19.....Senior Citizen Luncheon – 1:00 p.m.
- Thurs., March 19.....Band Concert – 7:30 p.m.
- Mon., March 23 .....Policy & Guidelines Committee Meeting – 1:00 p.m.
- Fri., March 27 .....H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s” – 7:30 p.m. – HS
- Sat., March 28.....H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s –2:00 p.m. – HS
- Sun., March 29.....H.S. Musical – “Damn Yankee’s – 2:00 p.m. - HS

**CLOSED SESSION 1 – Student Disciplinary Matter**

Moved by Viener, supported by Markley, 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 8:45 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by McGuire, supported by Crawford, that the regular meeting reconvene at 8:56 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**CLOSED SESSION 2 – Student Disciplinary Matter**

Moved by Viener, 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 C at 8:57 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by Crawford, supported by Markley, that the regular meeting reconvene at 9:12 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**RECOMMENDATION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION 2 – Student C**

Moved by McGuire, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education give the Byron Area School Administrators official power to terminate Student C’s attendance at Byron Middle School if Student C does not follow the guidelines as discussed in closed session.  
Vote (Voice): Yes 7, No 0. 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 D at 9:15 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by Crawford, supported by Markley, that the regular meeting reconvene at 9:21 p.m.  
Vote (Roll Call): Yes 7, No 0. Motion Approved.

**CLOSED SESSION 4 – Student Disciplinary Matter**

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, 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 9:23 p.m.

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

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by McGuire, supported by Viener, that the regular meeting reconvene at 9:26 p.m.

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

**CLOSED SESSION 5 – Student Disciplinary Matter**

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, 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 F at 9:28 p.m.

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

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by Markley, supported by McGuire, that the regular meeting reconvene at 10:05 p.m.

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

**RECOMMENDATION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION 5 – Student F**

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education suspend Student F through Friday, March 20, 2009. Upon returning to Byron High School, on Monday, March 23, 2009, Student F will complete and comply with a student/parent disciplinary agreement. Any violation of this agreement will result in immediate expulsion. In addition, Student F's driving privileges on school grounds are revoked and Student F will report to the Board at the April 20, 2009 meeting for a progress report.

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

**CLOSED SESSION 6 – Student Disciplinary Matter**

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Board go into Closed Session to consider a student disciplinary matter, pursuant to the request of the parent/guardian for Student G at 10:09 p.m.

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

**REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED**

Moved by Crawford, supported by Anibal, that the regular meeting reconvene at 10:45 p.m.

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

**RECOMMENDATION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION 6 – Student G**

Moved McGuire, supported by Viener, that the Byron Board of Education suspend Student G through Friday, March 20, 2009. Student G will then be allowed to return to Byron High School on a half-time schedule to take core classes under a student/parent contract established with zero tolerance.

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

**Adjournment**

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the meeting adjourn at 10:47 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

By

Michael McGuire  
Secretary