

The October 20, 2008 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: D. Mitchell, R. Markley, D. Crawford, M. McGuire, J. Anibal, R. Armstrong, G. Viener

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

OTHERS PRESENT: P. Ebner, P. Richardson, R. Burman, K. Hulett, T. Shafer, A. Canter, A. Lawrence, M. Kundrat, J. Root, S. Glass

Middle School Student Council

Tyler Shafer and Andrea Canter, representing the Middle School Student Council, reported on upcoming events middle school events, including dates of middle school dances and fundraising activities.

Cohort Graduation Rate

The Board heard a report from Mr. Dykstra, Byron High School Principal, about the changes in how drop-out rates and graduation rates are calculated.

2007-2008 Annual Report

Theresa Krejci presented the 2007-2008 District Annual Report.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Markley, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education accept the Consent Agenda as amended to include the addition of a recommendation to purchase Sixth Grade Social Studies textbooks (page 81A) to the agenda:

- Minutes – September 15, 2008 Regular Meeting
- Expenditures for September:

0	Computer Printed Prepaid	\$227,123.02
0	Prescription Reimbursement	0.00
0	General Fund Bills	81,448.95
0	Electronic Fund Transfers	575,098.46
0	TOTAL	\$883,670.43
- Resignation of Equestrian Club Coach - June Davies
- Resignation of J.V. Girls Basketball Coach - Mike Valasek, Sr.
- Employment of Middle School Volleyball Coach – Miranda Kundrat
- Employment of Eighth Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Tom Butcher
- Employment of Freshman Boys Basketball Coach - Marty Ragnone
- Employment of Child Care Worker - Margaret Holland
- Employment of Lunch Detention Supervisor - Don McLennan
- Employment of Lunch Detention Supervisor - Joel Howard
- Schedule B Appointments (updated)
 - Facility Requests:

0	Kari Moody - Jazzercise Classes (for staff), E.S. Art Room, Monday's & Wednesday's, September 22 – November 13, 2008 – 3:30-4:30 p.m.
0	BAAA – Youth Football Banquet, H.S. Cafeteria and Gym, Monday,

November 3, 2008 – 5:30 p.m.

- 0 BAAA - Cheerleading Banquet, H.S. Cafeteria, Sunday,
November 16, 2008 – 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- 0 Byron Fireworks Friends – Concert, E.S. Gym,
Friday, February 13, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

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

Board Committee Reports

Building & Site: No meeting

Contract Negotiations: No meeting.

Curriculum/Professional Development Committee: Theresa Krejci reviewed her monthly report and summarized the committee meeting held tonight. She noted that the committee reviewed the following two curriculum change proposals and a textbook purchase proposal from the district Curriculum Council:

- H.S. Math – Separate Algebra II into two levels: Algebra II and Honors Algebra 2
- H.S. Science – Separate Chemistry into two levels: Chemistry and Honors Chemistry.
- M.S. – Sixth Grade Social Studies Textbooks Request (approved for addition to agenda for tonight’s meeting.)

Comprehensive Health Committee: No meeting

Policy & Guidelines Committee: Mr. Scow reviewed the committee meeting minutes from the October 13, 2008 meeting. The committee will study further the MHSAA rules and regulations relating the use of athletic passes. Also discussed was the use of media in the classroom and need for better accountability. The committee recommended adding the edited form, “Multimedia Approval Form” to Administrative Guideline 2521A. The form is to be presented to the BAS Curriculum Council for review and comment prior to implementation. The committee also discussed hiring candidates with Master of Arts degrees and agreed that all things considered, it is best to hire the most qualified candidate possible.

Shiawassee County School Board Executive Committee: Mr. Mitchell reminded Board members that the Fall County School Board Dinner Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2008 at the New Lothrop Elementary School and will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Public Input

None

Eighth Grade Field Trip Request – Gettysburg, Washington D.C., Philadelphia, N.Y.C.

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the eighth grade field trip to Gettysburg, Washington D.C., Philadelphia and New York City planned for 20-25, 2009.

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

Burns Township Lease

Moved by Markley, supported by Anibal, that the Byron Board of Education approve the lease between Byron Area Schools and Burns Township for use of approximately five acres for the FFA/agri-science program for November 1, 2008 through October 31, 2011.

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

Purchase of Sixth Grade Social Studies Textbooks

Moved by Viener, supported by Crawford, that the Byron Board of Education approve the purchase of 120 textbooks for sixth grade Social Studies from Glencoe/McGraw-Hill in the total amount of \$6,746.40 (plus shipping and handling charges.)

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

Information Items

- “Soaring Eagle” Nice Job Notices:
 - 0 Ed Bedell
 - 0 Tom Butcher
 - 0 Rick Conely

- 0 Pam Ebner
- 0 Theresa Krejci
- 0 Joe McWilliams
- 0 Linda Reid
- 0 Shirley Riley
- 0 Malinda Smith
- 0 Trish Sprague
- 0 Matt Streeter
- 0 Shelly Warner
- 0 Dean Miller (student)
- 0 PTA
- 0 Dave Mitchell
- 0 Larry Adams

Upcoming Dates:

- October 21 County School Board Dinner @ New Lothrop ES
(Appetizers-6:00 pm, Dinner-6:30 pm, Program-7: 30 pm)
- October 21-25.....National FFA Convention – Indianapolis, IN
- October 24.....Varsity Football vs. Genesee (A) 7:00 pm
- October 25.....Varsity Volleyball vs. Fowlerville (A) 9:00 am
- October 29.....Varsity Volleyball vs. New Lothrop (H) 6:00 pm
- October 31.....End of 1st 9-week Marking Period
- November 6.....Flu Shot Clinic 12:00 – 2:00 pm
- November 11.....Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 pm
(Students in School All Day)
- November 12.....Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 pm
- November 13.....Professional Development Day (No students)
- November 14.....No school
- November 17.....Regular November Board Meeting
- November 27.....Thanksgiving Day
- November 28.....No School

Mr. Scow noted the following information items:

- The high school students conducted a very successful food drive under the direction of Mrs. Richardson during homecoming week. Food collected will be distributed to area relief agencies.
- The Community Education program will offer four classes beginning the first week of November. They include: Quilting Camp 101, Beginning Jewelry Making, Beginning Scrapbooking,
- A Flu Shot Clinic will be held November 6 from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. at the high school.
- The Byron website had 6,200 hits this past week.

Adjournment

Moved by Viener, supported by Armstrong, that the meeting adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

By

Michael McGuire
Secretary