

**BANGOR TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Kowalski at 5:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Kowalski, President; John Loop, Vice-President; Melissa Kaczmarek, Secretary; Brian Tobin, Treasurer; Jason Forgash, Trustee; Patrick Shaffer, Trustee; and Mark Seymour, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

EXPRESSIONS/ COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC None.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA Add to Consent Agenda: Resignation from Angela Wall, CMMS Paraprofessional

STUDENT SENATE Kristin Weston reported Student Senate held their first Suicide awareness week which concluded with a yellow-out. Senate decorated the commons for the holidays and each hallway was decorated by a class. The Student Senate State Conference is coming up and will be held at the Amway in Grand Rapids. JGHS will have 25 participants attending and applications have been filed for six different awards. The rescheduled blood drive will be held this week. SVL and Student Senate are working on two upcoming fundraisers including a Valentine's dance.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH Stacy DeSanto is the December Employee of the Month. Stacy was nominated by her peers for her help with building school culture, as well as her can-do and positive attitude.

RECOGNITION The 2017 Boys baseball team was recognized by the board this evening. The team was State Runner-Up last season. The team was coached by Jeff Hartt who has completed his 33 year of coaching. The season is definitely one for the memory books. The season ended with 1-0 loss and 34 wins were recorded making the second best in school history. Coach Hartt stated that this group of guys are the best example of a team and is very proud of them.

John Loop visited Lincoln on 12/5. During his visit he sat in on 5 classrooms. He was impressed with the energy the kindergarten students and their teacher, Diane Walker, had. Mr. Loop stated the whiteboards were used for teaching the students math, science, geography, and calendar. Mr. Loop also visited a 3rd, 4th and both 5th grade classrooms. All rooms used whiteboards, computers, and tablets. Students participated in small groups, partnered activities, and a simulation for geography and language arts. It was a wonderful experience with great staff and great kids. He did not witness one student that was not on task during his visit.

Pat Shaffer visited Lincoln on 12/13. Mr. Shaffer visited Ms. Walker, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Derocher, and Mrs. Garcia classrooms. He stated he was tired just from watching and listening to the students and teachers. Very energetic. Mr. Shaffer stated the day was amazing and all he could say was WOW. It was a great experience and a good time.

Pat Shaffer visited West on 12/15. Students in all grades along with their parent(s) were making gingerbread houses. He watched Ms. Schomaker's class practice and then present a Christmas story. He visited Ms. DeSanto's room had a lot of fun fiddling around with the kids and watching them learn. He was amazed to see how many people were coming and going in the building during his visit. He thanked West for letting him interrupt their day for his visit.

Jason Forgash started his day at North on 12/13. He had a great visit. He was impressed with the structure they had for the students. The students sat in a circle and planned their day. Mr. Forgash stated it was awesome preparing for their future in planning and strategies. Students played wonderful together and all teachers and paraprofessionals did a great job. After his visit at North he went to the virtual school. He went at lunch time and witnessed many students socializing in the gym. He reported this program offers students the opportunity to socialize and have friends which many of the students have difficulty doing in a regular education setting. It is a nice benefit to offer students who have that difficulty. After lunch students returned to the classroom and worked in cubicles. Mr. Forgash reported it was enlightening to see how this program operates and praised the instructor for how she was handling all age groups and being available to answer questions from students on site as well as communicating with students that were off site via texting and emailing.

Melissa Kaczmarek visited West on 12/18. She had the opportunity to visit Kg, 2, 4, and 5. While at West, Ms. Kaczmarek read to the kindergarten students. It was interesting to watch fourth grade struggle with division which is common for that grade level. For being a holiday week and all the excitement surrounding students they were on task. The students knew the routine and what was expected of them. Ms. Kaczmarek noticed the noise reduction from the walls in the dome area.

Mr. Kowalski visited CMMS on 11/21. He had a refresher with the judicial system and history lessons. He visited Mr. Brandt's room and had a refresher in math. Teachers love the whiteboards and it was neat to see. He had a great time in the classrooms. Mr. Kowalski ended his visit in the staff lounge.

CFO – No report this evening.

Superintendent Schmidt thanked the Board for visiting the buildings within the district; it was incredible to see the preschool and virtual schools were included in the visits. By visiting it shows the staff that the board cares about policy and what is happening in the district. Mr. Schmidt also thanked Deb Neumeyer and Felicia Pfund for their huge part with the Holiday Open House this evening. Mr. Schmidt wished the school board and all Bangor Township Schools employees a Merry Christmas.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by John Loop, supported by Patrick Shaffer to approve the consent agenda.

Approval of Minutes: November 27, 2017 (Regular Meeting)

Personnel: Resignations: Ashley Perkins, Cook at CMMS; Steven Filary, General Maintenance; Angela Wall, Paraprofessional at CMMS

Retirement: Dianne Long; Food Manager at West;

Approval to Hire: Mary Coughlin, At-Risk Paraprofessional at Central; Christian Perez, General Maintenance at Edison; Rebecca Wright and Ann Towns, GSRP Aides

Approval of Monthly Expenditures (December):

Grand Total All Funds	\$ 775,858.89
(Payroll Portion Equals:	\$ 250,376.40)
ACH Redemptions (December)	\$ 1,114,854.55

REGULAR AGENDA

Recommendation to Approve Second Reading and Final Approval of NEOLA Fall Policy Updates (Policies 1421, 3121, 4121 Criminal History Record Check; Policies 1439, 3139, 4139 Administration/Staff Discipline; Policy 2410 Prohibition of Referral or Assistance; Policy 2414 Reproductive Health and Family Planning; Policy 2418 Sex Education; Policy 5630.01 Student Seclusion and Restraint; Policy 8142 Criminal History Record Check; Policy 8321 Criminal Justice Information Security(Non-Criminal Justice Agency); Form 5610.01 Checklist for suspension/expulsion; and Technology Collection Phase III). A motion was made by Patrick Shaffer, supported by Mark Seymour to approve this recommendation. A roll call vote was taken: Jason Forgash, yes; Melissa Kaczmarek, yes; John Loop, yes; Mark Seymour, yes; Patrick Shaffer, yes; Brian Tobin, yes; and Richard Kowalski, yes. Yes-7; Nays: 0.

Melissa Kaczmarek asked for clarification of the policy referring to the district having the ability to look through personal cell phones. Mr. Schmidt clarified the district has the right to review browsing history of any device that is using our network – which the mentioned policy speaks to however, we do not go looking for problems.

Recommendation to Open *Limited* Schools of Choice for 2nd Semester at JGHS and Virtual School – all grades open; CMMS – Grade 6, 2 openings; Grade 7, 2 openings; Grade 8, 2 openings. A motion was made by Mark Seymour, supported by Jason Forgash to approve this recommendation. Motion carried; 7-0.

None

**OTHER
DISCUSSION**

None

**EXPRESSIONS
FROM THE PUBLIC**

On behalf of the Board of Education, Richard Kowalski, wished the staff, students, and the Bangor Township Community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mark Seymour made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

**RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED,**



**MELISSA KACZMAREK
SECRETARY**