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BELLEVILLE HENDERSON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2025

President Allen opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called to order in the Library at 8:01 pm.

The following members were present (4): John Allen, Anthony Barney, Dennis Jerome, and Gary Ramsdell.

Others present: Jane Collins, Superintendent, Scott Storey, Building Principal, Colleen Bellinger, Business Manager, and Absent:

Excused: Roger Eastman (attending concert), Adam Miner (attending concert), Kristin Vaughn (attending concert), and Sally Kohl, District Clerk (counting ballots).

Members from the community/guests: Emily Worden, Michael Bellinger, Tammy Castor, Christina Worthington, Stephanie Gillette, Katie Parker, Connor McNitt, Heather McNitt, Emily Baldwin, Lucas Valley, Leo Valley, and John Gleason.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Resolved that this Board of Education amend the agenda to accept hand carried resolution.

Motion made by: Gary Ramsdell

Seconded by: Dennis Jerome

Motion Carried: 4-0

Roger Eastman and Adam Miner entered at approximately 8:09 pm

PRESENTATIONS

No Presentations

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Parents and community members expressed their opinions and concerns.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

5/20	2-8 pm	Annual Vote/Election in Main Foyer
5/20	4:00 pm	Public Hearing for Code of Conduct and District Wide Safety Plan
5/20	7:00 pm	Spring Chorus Concert
5/20	8:00 pm	Board of Education Meeting-Library
5/22		Memorial Day Assembly
5/22	5:15 pm	JLSBA Spring Dinner/Annual Meeting-Tug Hill Winery, Lowville
5/23		Emergency Closing Day No School (pending BOE approval)

AMEND THE AGENDA

Date: May 20, 2025

5/26	Memorial Day Holiday
5/26 10:00 am	Memorial Day Parade Henderson
5/27 4:00 pm	Board of Education Special Meeting-Executive Session
5/28 3:40/4:00 pm	Kindergarten Registration
5/29 3:40/4:00 pm	Kindergarten Registration
5/29 5:30 pm	Honors/Effort Banquet
5/30 1-5 pm	Student Council Sponsored Blood Drive at Belleville Fire Hall
5/31 7-10 pm	Jr. Sr. Prom at Creekstone Farms
6/3 5:00 pm	Athletic Banquet
6/5 6:00 pm	Grandparents' Day-Parent Showing
6/5 6:00 pm	Booster Club Meeting-Library
6/6 8:00 am	Senior Trip
6/6 1:00 pm	Grandparent's Day
6/6 7:00 pm	Jefferson County Dairy Parade, Watertown
6/9 7:00 pm	Board of Education Meeting-Library
6/11 7:00 am	Senior Cap and Gown Photo
6/11	Regents Exam Day
6/11 2:00 pm	Yearbook Assembly (Grades 7-12)
6/11 3:05 pm	Curriculum Council Meeting
6/12 10:09 am	Safety Committee Meeting
6/13 8:15 am	Flag Day Assembly
6/13 11:30-12:30	Senior Picnic
6/13 5-8 pm	PTO Sponsored Kids' Night Out (rescheduled from 5/16 per KC)
6/14 6:00 pm	Belleville Fire Department Field Day Parade
6/16	Last Day of Classes for Grades 7-12
6/16 3:05 pm	Grade Level Meeting
6/17-26 1:45 am	Elementary Early Dismissal
6/17-25	Regents Exam Week
6/18 9:45 am	AM Pre-K Ceremony
6/18 12:45 pm	PM Pre-K Ceremony
6/18 3:05 pm	Workplace Violence Prevention Advisory Committee
6/19	Juneteenth Holiday
6/23 9:00 am	Grade 6 Awards and Celebration (Students and Parents)
6/24 8:30 am	Mrs. Gordinier's Class-Kindergarten Graduation (Students and Parents)
6/24 9:30 am	Mrs. Clark's Class-Kindergarten Graduation (Students and Parents)
6/25 9-10:00 am	Elementary Awards Grades 1-3 (Students and Parents)
6/25 12:30-1:30 pm	Elementary Awards Grades 4-5 (Students and Parents)
6/25 6:30 pm	Middle School/High School Awards
6/26 8:30 am	Fun Day for Elementary Grades K-6
6/26 9:00 am	Graduation Practice
6/26	Last Day for PM Pre-K
6/27 10:30 am	Dismiss Pre-K
6/27 10:45 am	Dismiss Grades K-6
6/27	Elementary Report Cards Distributed
6/27	Last Day of School
6/28 5:30 pm	Baccalaureate
6/28 6:00 pm	Alumni Banquet
6/29 2:00 pm	Graduation
6/30	Captains' Day (Grade 5)

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COMMUNITY OF CARING UPDATE

Mr. Storey reported on the births of:

- Morgan Jane Murphy, daughter of Cleaner, Faith Brown,
- Cooper Williams Fowler, son of Art Teacher, Sarah Fowler,
- Presley Jean Scoville, granddaughter to Elementary Teacher, Karen Scoville

And the passing of:

- Adriana Cavallario, grandmother to Will and Stephen Magovney,
- Jean Louise Gerace, retired teacher

CONSENT AGENDA**1. Resolved that this Board of Education approve the following:****A. MINUTES**

BHCSD Board of Education Meeting Minutes from:

April 14, 2025

May 6, 2025

May 12, 2025

B. WARRANTS

Cafeteria Warrant #8

Full Service Community Grant Warrant #8

HBG Capital Project Check Manual Warrant #8

HKB Capital Project Check Manual Warrant #8

HDW Capital Project Check Warrant #9

General Warrant #13

General Manual Warrant #13B

ACH Payments Warrant #13C

C. BUSINESS MANAGER'S STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The Business Manager's Statement of Revenues and Expenditures of the General and the School Food Fund from July 1, 2023-April 30, 2025.

D. TREASURER'S REPORT

Monthly Treasurer's report for April 2025

E. CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATION(S)

Report on recommendations from the Committee on Special Education:

Student numbers: 99211139, 99211634, 99211266, 99211140, 99211410,
 99211134, 099210606, 99211581, 99211267, 099210608, 099210610,
 99210968, 99211185, 99211607, 099210667, 99211182, 99211170, 99211333,
 and 99210760.

This report is on file with Emily Worden, Chairperson of the Committee on Special Education.

CONSENT AGENDA**BH BOE MEETING
MINUTES****WARRANTS****BUSINESS
MANAGER'S
STATEMENT****TREASURER'S
REPORT****CSE/CPSE
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Date: May 20, 2025

F. BUILDING/TRANSPORTATION USE

Kathy Sidmore from Graduate Association of UA/BCS/BHCSD, requests the use of the BHCSD auditorium, gymnasium and kitchen for the annual alumni banquet and meeting. IT BEING UNDERSTOOD, that school activities will come first and activities will be coordinated with the District Office.

Katie McGrath, requests the use of the BHCSD band room for summer private lessons to BH students. IT BEING UNDERSTOOD, that school activities will come first and activities will be coordinated with the District Office.

**BUILDING USE
REQUESTS:****--ALUMINI BANQUET****--PRIVATE MUSIC
LESSONS**

Motion made by: Gary Ramsdell

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 5-1 Opposed: Adam Miner

Kristin Vaughn entered the meeting.

PERSONNEL**2. APPROVE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AND SUPPORT STAFF**

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves **Lee Michael Whitney** as substitute teacher and support staff. IT BEING UNDERSTOOD, that **Mr. Whitney** has had a criminal history background check, including fingerprinting, performed by the State Education Department.

**APPROVE LEE
MICHAEL WHITNEY
AS SUBSTITUTE**

Motion made by: Adam Miner

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 7-0

3. APPROVE VOLUNTEER CHAPERONE FOR MARCHING BAND PARADES

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves **Kelly McGrath**, as a volunteer for marching band to drive his personal vehicle in parades to carry equipment, water, and for emergencies.

**APPROVE KELLY
MCGRATH AS A
VOLUNTEER**

Motion made by: Gary Ramsdell

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried: 7-0

4. APPROVE VOLUNTEER CHAPERONE VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves **Brandon Dodge**, as a volunteer for the varsity baseball team. IT BEING UNDERSTOOD, that Mr. Dodge will not volunteer for more than 5 practices or games.

**APPROVE BRANDON
DODGE AS A
VOLUNTEER**

Motion made by: Adam Miner

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried: 7-0

NEW BUSINESS**5. APPROVE USE OF EMERGENCY CLOSING DAY**

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that this Board of Education approves the use of the following Emergency Closing day:

- Friday, May 23, 2025

**APPROVE 5/23 USE
OF CLOSING DAY**

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Gary Ramsdell

Motion Carried: 7-0

Date: May 20, 2025

6. ITEMS FOR DONATION, DISPOSAL AND/OR PUBLIC SALE

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following items to be considered for donation, disposal and/or public sale:

- Several Miscellaneous Library Books
- Library Desk
- Light Fixtures
- Tube TV
- Computer Tables
- Chairs
- Wall Clocks

Motion made by: Kristin Vaughn

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 7-0

**ITEMS FOR
DONATION,
DISPOSAL AND/OR
PUBLIC SALE**

7. APPROVE TRANSPORTATION REQUEST FROM HENDERSON/ELLISBURG SUMMER RECREATION

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves the following transportation requests from Kathy Sidmore from the Henderson/Ellisburg Recreation Program:

- Transport BH Summer School Program participants from Belleville Henderson Central School to the recreation building in Henderson, NY on days when summer school is in session, from June 30 through July 31 at **no cost** to the Henderson/Ellisburg Recreation Program.
- Transport Belleville Henderson students that are participating in the Henderson/Ellisburg Recreation program from Belleville Henderson Central School to the recreation building in Henderson, NY on days when recreation is in session, from August 4-7 at **a cost of mileage plus the cost of a bus driver.**
- Various local field trips at a **cost of mileage plus the cost of a bus driver.** depending on availability of bus drivers.

Motion to table made by: Dennis Jerome

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion to Table Carried: 7-0

**RESOLUTION
TABLED**

8. ESTABLISH INSURANCE RESERVE

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education create an Insurance Reserve for the Belleville Henderson School District.

Motion made by: Adam Miner

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried: 7-0

**ESTABLISH
INSURANCE RESERVE**

9. APPROVE TRANSFER

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves a transfer of \$150,000 to code A 9950.9 Capital Fund from code A9901.950 Special Aid Fund to correct an account coding error entry.

Motion made by: Kristin Vaughn

Seconded by: Roger Eastman

Motion Carried: 7-0

APPROVE TRANSFER

Date: May 20, 2025

10. ACCEPT AND APPROVE VOTING RESULTSApproved in the open session after executive session

Resolved, that this Board of Education accepts the assertion from the District Clerk and Election Inspectors from the May 20, 2025 Annual Budget and Election.

Proposition #1 Budget Yes: 286 No: 155 (passed with a supermajority vote)

Proposition #2 Public Libraries Increase Yes: 322 No: 119

Board of Education Election:

John M. Gleason 374 votes

Write-In 13 votes

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 7-0

The Board congratulated the Business Office Team on the passing of the budget and Mr. Gleason on being elected.

POLICY**11. FIRST READING/WAIVE SECOND READING/APPROVE POLICY**

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education waives the second reading and approves the following amended/new policies:

3421 Title IX and Sex Discrimination

Motion made by: Kristin Vaughn

Seconded by: Gary Ramsdell

Motion Carried: 7-0

HAND CARRIED RESOLUTION**12. APPROVE JOSEPH BRITTON-CHAPERONE**

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, this Board of Education approves Joseph Britton, as a volunteer to chaperone the senior class trip with class advisor, Amanda Britton.

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried: 7-0

FOR THE BOARD'S REVIEW

Reminder for those attending

- JLSBA Annual Dinner Meeting
 - Thursday, May 22, 2025
 - At Tug Hill Vineyards, Lowville

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

President Allen reported that the board will have to appoint a student board member by July 1.

**ACCEPT AND
APPROVE VOTING
RESULTS**

APPROVE POLICY

**HAND CARRIED
RESOLUTION**

**APPROVE JOSEPH
BRITTON AS
VOLUNTEER**

Date: May 20, 2025

Superintendent Collins reported to the board on the upcoming changes to policies. She also gave an update on the Capital Project. Additionally, she briefed the board on information regarding an electric bus waiver, she will bring more information on the waiver at the next meeting.

UPDATE TO BOARD OF EDUCATION QUESTIONS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs. McNitt gave her feedback on posting a link for a recorded presentation of the PowerPoint of the public hearing on the budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolved, that this Board of Education enter executive session at 8:24 pm to discuss the employment history of a particular personnel and a legal issue.

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 7-0

Mrs. Kohl, District Clerk, joined executive session at 9:00 pm

President Allen declared open session at 9:08 pm.

President Allen read the results from the annual budget and election vote (see resolution #10).

A motion was made to remove Resolution #7 from tonight's meeting, from the table.

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried to Remove from Table: 7-0

A motion was made to approve Resolution #7:

APPROVE TRANSPORTATION REQUEST FROM HENDERSON/ELLISBURG SUMMER RECREATION

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Motion made by: Adam Miner

Seconded by: Kristin Vaughn

Motion Carried: 7-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

OPEN SESSION

REMOVE
RESOLUTION #7
FROM TABLE

APPROVE
TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST

ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that at 9:13 pm, this meeting be adjourned.

Motion made by: Roger Eastman

Seconded by: Anthony Barney

Motion Carried: 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Kohl, District Clerk

ADJOURNMENT