

Board of Education Special Meeting  
June 3, 2015  
BOE Conference Room  
**Approved**

Present: BOE members Vice Chair, Matt Giuffre, Julie Begin, Kate Galle, Liz Krueger, and Alison Romkey. Superintendent Heckt was also present. BOE member Rich Hayes was absent.

Vice Chair, Matt Giuffre called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

1. Board Vacancy – A **motion** to accept Chris Davey’s appointment to the Board vacancy was presented by Kate Galle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Liz Krueger; MUP.
2. Election of BOE Officers – Vice Chair, Matt Giuffre, turned the meeting over to Superintendent Heckt. The Board unanimously agreed to ballot by hand. Superintendent Heckt asked for nominations for the position of Board Chair. Alison Romkey nominated Matt Giuffre, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kate; MUP. The meeting was turned over to Chair, Matt Giuffre. Chair Giuffre asked for nominations for the position of Board Vice Chair. Alison Romkey nominated Kate Galle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Julie Begin; MUP.
3. Second Read – Courses – Peace and Conflict Studies – Chair Giuffre presented the second read of the Peace and Conflict Studies course. A **motion** was presented by Kate Galle to approve the Peace and Conflict studies course, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Julie Begin; MUP. In response to questions from BOE member Kate Galle and Bolton resident Jen Viot, Sarah Malinoski and Superintendent Heckt provided clarification that the course is available to seniors only; is not an AP course and will allow for an additional elective course without the need for additional staff.
4. Field Trip Approval – Superintendent Heckt requested approval for BHS teacher Mark Mishriky and students Caitlyn Altermatt, Taylor Kerr and Justin Wiles to travel to Chicago, IL from June 29 – July 3 to represent Bolton High School and the State of CT at the National Leadership Conference. There is no cost to the district for this travel. A **motion** to approve the trip to Chicago, IL was presented by Alison Romkey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kate Galle; MUP.
5. BHS Dishwasher – Superintendent Heckt elected to not address this item.
6. Acceptance of Soccer Goal Donation – Superintendent Heckt presented information on the donation of two new soccer goals from the CFC (Connecticut Football Club; soccer) to be placed at Bolton Center School. The CFC, through the Bolton Boosters Club, has been given permission to use the BCS soccer field for their games. There is no use of the building/bathroom facilities involved and scheduling was worked out with Director of Operations, Ray Boyd; Athletic Director, David Humiston; and Booster Club Rep, Tim Callahan. The CFC provides soccer opportunities for all age levels starting with U9 for both boys and girls. A **motion** to approve acceptance of the soccer goals for BCS was presented by Alison Romkey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Julie Begin; MUP.
7. First Read
  - a. Strategic Plan – Superintendent Heckt presented the Bolton Public Schools Strategic Coherence Plan 2015-2020 that was developed during the school year by a 20 person committee comprised of school staff, PTA members, Town officials, BOE members and members of the community. The second read will be presented at the June 11 BOE meeting and Superintendent Heckt would like to be able to present the approved plan to

- the staff before the end of this school year. BOE members can contact Superintendent Heckt directly with any questions.
- b. District Goals – Superintendent Heckt presented the first read of the School District Goals 2015-2020 for BOE member review and noted that the goals, proposed Strategic Plan and vision statements are all in alignment with each other. Annual reviews of each document will be made as the need for revisions arise.
  - c. Policy 2100 – Administrative Staff Organization – Chair Giuffre presented the first read for BOE member review. The organization chart was updated to reflect current staff accountability relationships as required by this policy.
8. Budget – Superintendent Heckt reviewed her proposed budget cuts to fall in line with the Board of Finance’s \$280,000 reduction to the BOE 2015-2016 Budget. As a result of SPED program changes, new hire salary/insurance savings, and anticipated grant fund awards, all but one of the proposed reductions will now be covered by grant funds. The BCS Athletic Trainer will be an actual \$5,000 loss of position. Superintendent Heckt gave a general overview of grant funding and the specific district costs that can be paid for with the funds awarded. She will provide more detailed information on grant funding to the new BOE members, Liz Krueger and Chris Davey, and will meet with them for follow-up discussion next week. This same information had been provided prior to their BOE appointments. A **motion** to approve the Superintendent’s proposed budget cuts to the 2015-2016 BOE budget was presented by Kate Galle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Julie Begin; motion passed 4-0; Liz Krueger abstained.
9. Anticipated Executive Session – Discussion/Possible Action on:
- a. Personnel
- A **motion** to adjourn to Executive Session was presented at 5:35 by Julie Begin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alison Romkey. The Board came out of Executive Session by consensus at 5:55.
- A **motion** to adjourn the meeting was presented by Alison Romkey at 5:56, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Julie Begin MUP.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Boyd  
Board Clark