

BERLIN BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 1, 2021
MINUTES
SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING

Attendance: Julia Dennis
Steven Jenkins
Jaymee Miller
Timothy Oakes
Mark Pruzin
Adam Salina
Kari Sassu, Ph.D. – Absent
Tracy Sisti
Stephen Weber – Absent
Student Representatives: Lindsey Leary – Absent
Samantha Negrao – Absent

Also in attendance: Superintendent of Schools Brian J. Benigni and Director of Human Resources Denise Parsons.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Dennis called the virtual meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ratification of Contract – The Berlin Education Association – Teachers

At 6:39 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Mr. Pruzin, to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, inviting the Superintendent and the Director of Human Resources.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED: 7:0; including President Dennis

Mr. Salina stated he would be abstaining from Executive Session due to the topic at hand and to avoid any conflict of interest. Ms. Dennis stated she would be abstaining from Executive Session as well.

In attendance for Executive Session were Board Members Sisti, Jenkins, Miller, Oakes and Pruzin. In addition, Superintendent of Schools Brian J. Benigni and Director of Human Resources Denise Parsons were in attendance.

At 7:04 p.m., the Board returned to Open Session.

Moved by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the tentative agreement reached between the Berlin Board of Education and The Berlin Education Association for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

FAVOR: 5 in favor; 2 abstained

MOTION CARRIED: 5:0:2; President Dennis and Mr. Salina abstained

III. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:06 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Pruzin, seconded by Mr. Salina to adjourn.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED: 7:0; including President Dennis

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Sisti, Secretary, Berlin Board of Education