

**BERLIN BROTHERSVALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
UNOFFICIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2021 - 6:30 PM
Zoom Meeting**

The Board of Directors of the Berlin Brothersvalley School District held a meeting on the above date in the Administration conference room and via Zoom due to the social distancing order. The meeting was called to order by Board President Larry Philip at 6:32 p.m.

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- C. MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- D. ROLL CALL**

<u>Yes</u>	Jeremy Broadwater	<u>No</u>	Larry Ogline	<u>Yes</u>	Steve Spochart
<u>Yes</u>	Donna Dively	<u>Yes</u>	Larry Philip	<u>Yes</u>	Cathy Webreck
<u>Yes</u>	Jenna Ogburn	<u>No</u>	Allison Rohrs	<u>Yes</u>	Melanie Christner

Region 1 (Berlin Borough) Board Seat candidate: APPROVED
Melanie Christner

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Jeremy Broadwater, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the agenda as presented on this date.

All members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain _____

- G. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, EXHIBITS, COMMITTEE, AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Motion by Cathy Webreck, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve the following minutes and financial reports as presented on this date.

1. Regular Board Meeting, January 14, 2021. [Exhibit G-1](#)
2. Athletic Account, January 31, 2021. [Exhibit G-2](#)
3. Activity Account, January 31, 2021. [Exhibit G-3](#)
4. General, Construction, Capital Reserve, and Investment Accounts, January 31, 2021. [Exhibit G-4](#)
5. Cafeteria and Payroll Funds, January 31, 2021. [Exhibit G-5](#)

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain _____

PRESENTATION

Schoology & Technology Presentation:

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“BBSD Board Goals”

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Erika Stern, Derek Hoyman, Katy Gibson, & Dana Kissel

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. National School Counseling Week Recognition - Feb. 1-5, 2021
Christy McMillen
Mark Smith
2. Resolution - SRO - agreement between the District & Berlin Borough
3. COVID Update - Numbers/vaccine
4. Tutoring Update
5. Air Quality Permit discussion
6. Aides Compensation Plan & Extra-Curricular Salary Schedule
7. FMLA - Amy Polakoski

Upcoming Meetings: Board Meeting - Thursday, March 11, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

I. STUDENT MTTB REPORT

J. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Motion by Cathy Webreck, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve the payment of bills as presented on this date. [Exhibit J-1](#)
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain
2. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve to extend the School Resource Officer Agreement between BBSD and the Borough of Berlin. [Exhibit J-2](#)
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain
3. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve the resolution updating policies and procedures for elected tax collectors. [Exhibit J-3](#)
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain
4. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve a letter of agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center to provide services for the 2021-2022 and the 2022-2023 school years as per exhibit. [Exhibit J-4](#)
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain
5. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to grant permission for the Borough of Berlin on 11th Avenue school property to trim a tree, reset the electric pole and dig a trench to their decorative lighting project on Main Street.
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain

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Steve Spochart left the meeting at this point.

K. INSTRUCTIONAL

L. ADMINISTRATION

1. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to adopt revised policy No. 610 - "Purchases Subject to Bid". [Exhibit L-1](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
2. Motion by Cathy Webreck, seconded by Melanie Christner, to adopt revised policy No. 611 - "Purchases Budgeted". [Exhibit L-2](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
3. Motion by Cathy Webreck, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve a cooperative agreement between Rockwood, Shanksville, and Berlin for football, Grades 9-12. [Exhibit L-3](#)
Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
4. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to place revised policy No. 605 - "Tax Levy" on the table for public inspection for 30 days. [Exhibit L-4](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
5. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to place revised policy No. 606 - "Tax Collection" on the table for public inspection for 30 days. [Exhibit L-5](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
6. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to place revised policy No. 621 - "Local Taxpayer Bill of Rights" on the table for public inspection for 30 days. [Exhibit L-6](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____
7. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the 2021-2022 school calendar as presented. [Exhibit L-7](#)
All members present voted in the affirmative.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

M. PERSONNEL

1. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve special sick leave days to be covered for PSERS according to FFCRA for:
Employee #9678393
Employee #4270989

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Employee #3739437
Employee #8021967
Employee #7081303
Employee #10151981
Employee #8629409
Employee #5011972

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

2. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve the following as tutors to be paid from the ESSER II grant:

Beth Hoover
Heather Kush
Katy Gibson
Susan Straight
Chris Fabyanic
Jim Eutsey
Inez O'Donnell
Erika Stern
Jack Murphy
Courtney Richards
David Remaley
Jayme St. Clair
Stacey Kalp

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

3. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve Jack Murphy, Berlin, PA, as a long-term substitute for the alternative education position.

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

4. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the following census enumerators for 2021 at the stipends listed:

Allegheny Township	Audrey Benning	\$900
Berlin Borough	Nancy Engbert	\$1300
Brothersvalley Township	Hilary Strobe	\$1900
Fairhope Township	Gail Smith	\$400
New Baltimore Borough	Audrey Benning	\$300
Northampton Township	Gail Smith	\$500

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

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5. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve Christian Bench as a mentor for Jack Murphy.

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

6. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to approve the following aides as tutors at a rate of \$15.50/hour to be paid from the ESSER II Grant:

Roni Sue Gontis

Breanna Hostetler

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

7. Motion by Cathy Webreck, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the following Spring sports coaches pending completion of legal requirements:

Baseball

Head Coach

Zac Cooney

Assistant

Dante Paul

Volunteer

Tanner Prosser

Volunteer

Matt Visinsky

Volunteer

Dakota Glessner

Volunteer

Kyle Cooney

Volunteer

Tyrel Stockwell

Softball

Head Coach

Brian Slope

Assistant

Scott DeArmitt

Assistant

Craig Glessner

Volunteer

Amanda Dively

Track and Field

Head Coach

Corey Will

Assistant

Kevin Bittner

Assistant

David Gontis

Assistant

Anna Flamm

Assistant

Turner Paul

Assistant

Tyler Walton

Volunteer

Catelyn Will

Volunteer

Kay Ann Cober

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain _____

8. Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve Christopher Uphouse's request to extend his FMLA leave through the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

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9. Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Cathy Webreck, to approve Dean Gindlesperger, Somerset, PA, as a full-time custodian at a rate of \$9.00/hour pending completion of legal requirements.

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain

N. CONFERENCE/FIELD TRIP/WORKSHOP REQUESTS

Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the following conference/field trip/workshop requests:

- Dan Miller’s request to have up to 25 students attend virtually the SLLC/ACES conference, dates to be determined. Cost - \$500. FFA budget.
- **Katie Spiri’s request to take 40 students to Singin’ in the Rain, Lancaster Bible College, Lancaster, PA, March 4, 2021. Student payment and Choral Boosters will pay for this trip.**

Section 508 Vote: all members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain

Conference/Field Trip/workshop requests already approved:

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O. FACILITIES USE REQUESTS

Motion by Donna Dively, seconded by Melanie Christner, to approve the following facilities use requests:

- Forensics’ request to use MS rooms 004, 005, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, & 012, Saturday, February 20, 2021, 8:00 a.m.-7:30 p.m., District Forensics.

All members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain

Facilities Use requests already approved:

- BBSD Reading Competition-Elementary’s request to use Room #28 and the elementary library, Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 3:30-7:30 p.m., Reading Competition
- BBSD Reading Competition-Middle & High School’s request to use Room #28, #29, and the elementary library, Wednesday, January 27, 2021, 3:30-7:30 p.m., Reading Competition.

P. INFORMATIONAL

1. Thank you letter. [Exhibit P-1](#)

Motion by Melanie Christner, seconded by Donna Dively, to adjourn the meeting.

All members present voted in the affirmative.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstain

Lori Gindlesperger
Board Secretary

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