BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

November 23, 2021

Live Virtual Online Meeting using ZOOM Audio/Video Conference Software

** Due to the COVID-19 Crisis, this meeting was live-streamed over the internet using ZOOM video/audio conferencing software in order to adhere with social distancing measures put in place by Governor Baker. This meeting was open to the public for live chat during Public Comment.

1. Call to Order

At 7:03 PM, Ms. Scoville called to order the meeting of the Bedford School Committee. Other members present included Ms. Guay, Ms. Santiago, Mr. Brosgol, Mr. Morrison, Student Representative Prakhar Gupta

2. Public Comment

No comments

3. PR Report

Resignations:

Branden Anderson	1.0 Human Resources Coordinator	District
Carol Lenson	Special Education Liaison	JGMS
Sarah Nelson	Skills Center TA	JGMS

Internal Transfers:

Dawn Davies	Special Education Liaison	JGMS

Appointments:

Taylor Fronk	LTS Grade 1 Teacher	Davis
Tova Margolis	LTS Social Studies Teacher	BHS
Jhamal Fluellen	METCO Assistant Director	District

Substitutes:

Norma Jamgochian	Per Diem Sub	JGMS
Jennifer Silverstone	Per Diem Nurse	District

4. RULER Presentation

Mr. Hartunian, JGMS Principal and Mr. Eggleston, Director of Counseling spoke about the RULER Program. RULER is a systemic approach to Social and Emotional Learning training developed at Yale University. RULER aims to infuse the principals of emotional intelligence into the prek to 12 schools.

RULER stands for: Recognizing, Understanding, Labeling, Expressing, Regulating. The development of these five RULER skills relies on four core tools: The Charter, Mood Meter, Meta-Moment, and Blueprint. These skills and tools are introduced to students, staff, teachers and families. Adults needs to learn to control, understand and share emotions so they can more easily show and assist students to do the same.

Emotion Scientist vs Emotion Judge

Use emotion as information Makes quick assumptions

Asks curious and thoughtful questions May misdiagnose emotion by observing behavior

Uses new regulation strategies through trial and error Attributes/assigns emotions to people's

personalities

5. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Conrad presented the following to the School Committee during his Superintendent's Report. Mr. Conrad congratulated the cast of the Drowsy Chaperone for their wonderful performances last weekend. The Bedford and Burlington Football teams enjoyed a dinner, hosted by Burlington for Bedford ahead of the big Thanksgiving Day Football game, reprising an old tradition. Bedford hopes to host Burlington next year if they find themselves playing against one another in the "big game". Students from Davis and Lane will participate in naming snowflakes. The tradition of naming snowflakes originated in Scotland and students in Vermont have participated. Mr. Conrad hopes that the students will enjoy participating in this project. Both the METCO and Hanscomb meetings scheduled for the fall are being added to agendas in the spring. Budget Presentation will happen at the next scheduled School Committee meeting with no other items on the agenda.

6. Draft Minutes: Review and Vote

Mr. Morrison made the following motion:

MOVED: That the School Committee votes to approve the minutes from November 9, 2021 School

Committee meeting

MOTION SECONDED by Ms. Santiago

MOTION APPROVED 5-0-0

Ms. Guay Yes
Ms. Scoville Yes
Mr. Brosgol Yes
Ms. Santiago Yes
Mr. Morrison Yes

7. Adjournment

Mr. Brosgol made the following motion:

MOVED: Motion at 7:57 PM to adjourn not to re-open in Open Session.

MOTION SECONDED by Mr. Morrison

MOTION APPROVED 5-0-0

Ms. Guay Yes
Ms. Scoville Yes
Mr. Brosgol Yes
Ms. Santiago Yes
Mr. Morrison Yes

Exhibits/Documents

RULER Presentation

Draft Minutes- November 9, 2021

School Committee Secretary.

CHAIR

JAN. 14, 2022 Date