

Minutes of the Barker Central School District **Board of Education Meeting** Tuesday, July 22, 7:00 p.m. **Board Room**

Present R. Atwater, D. Carnes, C. Gancasz, E. Gow, J. Sweeney, Jr.,

V. Voss, K. Stoll

Excused S. Mason

Also Present J. Reimer, B. Pattison

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Call to Order Mr. Atwater called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The pledge to the flag

was done.

Agenda Motion by Mr. Sweeney, Jr., seconded by Mrs. Gow, to approve the agenda

> as presented. Yes: 6, No: 0 Motion carried.

Public Forum None

Policies/Plans Second Reading of Policy 7316 - Use of Internet-Enabled Devices and

Cell Phones During the School Day

Dr. Reimer explained that extra guidance has been released stating use of backpacks to hold cellphones will not be considered an acceptable

location.

The language will state that lockers are the acceptable location for the day. He elaborated that the legislation is headed that direction and adopting language now, will prevent needing an immediate update to the policy.

Student representative, Miss Stoll asked if they would be allowed to use their phones when visiting their lockers, Dr. Reimer explained no, the idea is the phones are off limit from start bell to end of day bell. Miss Stoll had a follow up question asking if they would be able to use the cameras on



their personal phones for tasks such as yearbook pictures. Dr. Reimer explained the Yearbook Club has cameras they can use as they will not be allowed to use the cameras on their personal cell phones. Miss Stoll also asked for clarification on whether the District would use pouches/specific areas for cell phones, Dr. Reimer explained that the District was having the lockers be the location because every student in grades 7-12 are issued lockers.

Mrs. Voss asked how notifications for cancelations (sports, musical practice) would be handled if the coaches/advisors could not text that information. Dr. Reimer explained that email could be used to notify students on their school approved laptop/chrome books. Miss Pattison also mentioned that the school does still utilize the announcements system and make specific announcements if cancellations or practice updates change.

Mr. Sweeney, Jr. commented that Miss Stoll's questions were excellent questions. Mr. Sweeney, Jr. then asked if there was a need a second review of the policy due to adding the change. Dr. Reimer stated a second review would not be necessary, the purpose of the second read was to have the chance to update any language or changes necessary.

Motion by Mrs. Carnes, seconded by Mrs. Gow, to approve policy 7316 as presented.

Yes: 6, No: 0 Motion carried.

Business & Financial Items

Approve the acceptance of the bid from RB Mac Construction Co. Inc. in the amount of \$247,000 for Courtyard work

Dr. Reimer took a minute to explain after meeting with the project manager and other parties closely involved with the current capital project that there would be enough funding to include the renovation to the Courtyard. He explained that Sicoli was the lowest bid but stated at this time they would not be able to commit to the work. Dr. Reimer explained that RB Mac was the next bid and if approved would likely be able to have the work finished near the start of the school year. He further explained that a large cost was the current shade structure included in the cost, and the District will Keep a few of the current trees and look into a shade structure at a later point.

Motion by Mrs. Gow, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, Jr., to accept the bid from RB Mac Construction Co. Inc, in the amount of \$247,000 for Courtyard work.



Yes: 6, No: 0 Motion carried.

Public Session/ Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Sweeney, Jr., seconded by Mrs. Carnes to end the Public

Session and adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Yes: 6, No: 0 Motion carried.

Prepared by,

Brooke E. Pattison District Clerk Pro-tem