

**Minutes of Board Workshop  
ISD 877 Board of Education  
Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools**

Monday, June 8, 2020  
Board Room, 214 1st Avenue NE, Buffalo  
4:30 PM

Present: Melissa Brings, Susan Lee, Dave Wilson, Bob Sansevere, Laurie Raymond

Present Virtually: Amanda Reineck, Ken Ogden

Absent: None

1. Phoenix Learning Center Program Move to Buffalo High School, Mark Mischke, BHS Principal and Stephanie Ward, BHS/PLC Assistant Principal  
This conversation has been going on since the beginning of the school year. The small environment and class sizes as well as relationships has been key to PLC. Equity of access to services will be increased including electives such as music and CIS courses, counseling and health office and cafeteria and gym spaces. Classrooms will be in the B area of BHS. Some savings include transportation, lease of PRIDE program site (which is a savings to the taxpayers) and reduction in secretarial hours. Communication has taken place with students and staff and will continue.
2. BCMS 2019-20 Winter Activities Review, John Hayden, BCMS Assistant Principal and Activities Director  
Girls participation has stayed steady and boys participation has increased in winter activities. Wrestling numbers still struggle. Unfortunately, Art Club was not offered due to inability of the staff member.
3. Preliminary Budget Review 2020-21, Gary Kawlewski, Director of Finance and Operations  
The passage of the operating levy referendum in 2019 is key to this next budget year and keeps our fund balance in good shape. Concerns about the funding from the state. The Food Service budget may see some changes but should finish in good shape. No meal ticket price change is being recommended. The 2014 building construction fund has now been spent. Community Service fund will end in the negative due to the COVID-19 requirements. Final budget will be presented at the June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting for approval.
4. Other
  - Preparing a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan for summer activities and use of our facilities. Pool and facilities will open June 15. A usage fee will be included when extra cleaning is needed.
  - Surveys have been conducted regarding distance learning. 1000 students and

1800 parents have replied. The Task Force will review the survey results. 110 staff have participated in focus groups.

5. Committee Reports

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Adjourned at 6:30 p.m.