

## **BAC MEETING MINUTES 1/5/16**

The meeting began at 7:00 in the district office room 219.

The following members attended: Vinny Lopreto, Sara Wottawa, Roxana Barcelona, Carmine Russo, Liz Morrison, Stacey Coll, Bevin Llanes and Ken Stolz.

From the district office was Ron Sacks.

From the Transportation Dept was Stephen Shadbolt.

The following topics were discussed:

- Carmine Russo distributed correspondence he had with the BOE regarding areas of interest by the BAC.
- Stephen Shadbolt distributed the transportation schematic and explained how to read it.
- Bus packages are done in 4-6-7 and 8 hr. runs. There are currently 114 routes and will need about 119 routes after reconfiguration. 25 Sachem buses with the balance being done by Town Bus. Using Sachem buses saves between \$8,000 and \$12,000 per year per bus.
- Sachem pays for bus fuel for both sachem buses and Town buses. The district only has room to park 25 buses.
- The Seneca time change yielded a saving of about \$900,000 for the district.
- The closing of 3 schools (Tecumseh, Gatelot and Sequoya) will add bus routes because students that were once walkers will now be bussed.
- 2/3 of sachem students live north of the expressway.
- There will be a \$1.0 to \$1.2 million saving for the closing of schools.
- There will be no loss of state aid for closing Sequoya.
- OT/PT is still being looked at by the district.
- Regarding the Transitional Program, questions were asked if there would be a benefit to using district special ed teachers verses using outside contractors. Ron Sacks will look into it.
- The committee has requested Legal to attend the next meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:45 and the next meeting is scheduled for Tues 1/19 at 7:00 in district office room 219.