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Byron Area Schools Board of Education

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As members of the Byron Board of Education, we would like to reassure you of our commitment to our school district. The past few weeks and months have been difficult for many reasons. Like you, we are seeking stability for our students, teachers, staff and community by making sure we have the right leadership in place in our school. On November 15, Mr. Bob Cassidy was placed on non-disciplinary, paid administrative leave while the board considered allegations concerning unsatisfactory performance. There were no unprofessional conduct or abuse allegations. Since that time, we received a letter of resignation stating that Mr. Cassidy has decided to pursue other opportunities in education, and we wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Now, we enter a time of rebuilding and the board is committed to making certain we have stability for our students, staff, teachers and community in the near-term as well as long-term. As you know from the communication last evening, SRESA Superintendent Dave Schulte is our Acting Superintendent. With his leadership, we are working to address immediate needs for communication, continuity and staffing. We will be working to hire an interim superintendent, and as quickly as possible, communicate a process to work to find a permanent replacement that meets the needs of our many stakeholders and can help us shape a plan for the future of Byron Area Schools.

We are grateful for your students, appreciative of hard-working staff, administration and teachers, and look forward to your involvement in the rebuilding process. Should you have any questions, or immediate concerns, please address those to Dave Schulte at 810-266-4881.

Sincerely,

Byron Area Schools Board of Education

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