

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2013
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Chairman Ray DiStephan called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Ray DiStephan, Jane Miller, Susan Queenan, Victor Katz, Paul Checco, Harry Shaker and Scott McCarthy

Also Present: Superintendent Anthony Bivona, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone, Director of Finance and Technology Operations Art Colley, Director of Special Services Charlie Manos, BHS Principal Joe Palumbo, WMS Principal Deane Renda, HHES Principal Mary Rose Dymond and CES Interim Principal Dr. Krys Salon

BOARD RECOGNITION

The Superintendent thanked the Board for all of their hard work during Board of Education appreciation month and presented them with a gift.

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Brad Leverence gave a statement on the roles and responsibilities of being a student representative.

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to amend the agenda to move up item 12-1.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

DISCUSSION OF ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

The Board discussed the roles and responsibilities of the student representative and future expectations by the Board.

J. Miller moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to amend the agenda to move up item 12-2.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

APPROVAL OF DECA TRIP TO ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA

After discussion with Teresa Brooks and members of DECA, J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve a trip for DECA to Anaheim, California for the International Career Development Conference from Monday, April 22nd- Sunday, April 28th as recommended by DECA Advisor Teresa Brooks and BHS Principal Joe Palumbo.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received correspondence from the Trematto's.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

Regular Meeting- 2/20/13

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

CAPT/CMT administration- Mr. Bivona said CMT and CAPT will be administered throughout the month of March.

WMS 2012 Summer Reading Challenge- Mr. Renda said WMS is among the top-performing schools in the Governor's 2012 Summer Reading Challenge and he thanked Aggie Burns for all of her hard work. The awards ceremony will be held May 3rd at the Connecticut State Library.

COMMUNICATIONS

Policy- 2/20/13- Mrs. Miller said there are several policies coming before the Board later in the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

J. Miller moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as recommended.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS POLICIES

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the revisions to Policy #5141.25, Accommodating Students with Food/Environmental Allergies or other Special Dietary Needs for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy #1700, Possession of Firearms on School Property for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy #5131.601, Medical (Palliative) Use of Marijuana for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS

POLICIES

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy #5113, Attendance for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S. McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 5-2 to approve new Regulation #5113, Attendance, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.
S. Queenan and S. McCarthy voted no

J. Miller moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve Policy #5113.2, Truancy, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S. McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy #4118.52, Social Networking by Staff, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S. McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy #5141.22, Glucose Self-Monitoring in School, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S. McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

J. Miller moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve revisions to Policy #5141.21, Administering Medication, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on February 6, 2013.
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2013-2014 BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Board continued its discussion on the 2013-2014 budget. The Board of Education will present at the Board of Finance meeting on Tuesday, March 12th at 7:00pm in the BHS Media Center.

SECURITY UPDATE

The Board received a school building security update as reported by Superintendent Anthony J. Bivona and Art Colley and entered into detailed discussion with the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, J. Miller moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 10:17pm

R. DiStephan, J. Miller S. Queenan, S, McCarthy, V. Katz, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

Susan Queenan, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education