

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2012
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Chairman Ray DiStephan called the meeting to order at 7:04 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, HHES Principal Mary Rose Dymond and members of the staff and public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Julia DePoi gave an update on the happenings at BHS

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

none

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting- 11/13/12

Budget Roundtable- 11/19/12

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Hurricane Sandy relief effort to Staten Island- staff and students spoke about their experience helping the victims of hurricane Sandy. A video was presented.

College Board AP- Superintendent Bivona said BHS has been honored by the College Board for the 2nd year in a row with placement on the 3rd annual AP District Honor Roll.

Teacher of the Year Ceremony- 11/15- Mr. Bivona and Deane Renda escorted Sue Crean to the Bushnell for the teacher of the year ceremony.

The Superintendent said the reporting system that Connecticut schools will be measured by will be coming out on Friday.

P. Checco moved, J. Miller seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to amend the agenda to move up item 11B on the agenda.

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

P. Checco moved, J. Miller seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to amend the agenda to move up item 11A on the agenda.

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

BBD HOCKEY TRIP TO ROME, NEW YORK

After a brief overview by Coach Rusty Granaker, J. Miller moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve a trip to Rome, New York for the BBD Hockey team to participate in a holiday tournament from Friday, December 28th-Saturday, December 29th as recommended by BHS Athletic Coordinator Chris McDougal and coaches Nick Castellano and Rusty Granaker.

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

WORLD LANGUAGE PROGRAM REVIEW

The Board received a World Language Program review from Glastonbury Public Schools Curriculum Director of Foreign Languages Rita Oleksak.

The Board took a brief recess at 8:40pm and returned at 8:52pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CAPE- 11/13- the subcommittee discussed World Language

B & FC- 11/5- Mr. Checco reported on the meeting held on 12/3.

Policy- 11/19- Mrs. Miller reported on policies coming before the Board for a first reading.

CONSENT AGENDA

Recommended Motion: that the Board 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.

CLASS SIZE REPORT

The Board received the class size report from Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

2013-2014/ 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR/PLC DAYS

The Board received the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school calendars/PLC days as recommended by Superintendent Anthony J. Bivona. The Board made suggestions regarding the calendar.

POLICIES

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve Policy/Regulation # 5141.21, Administration of Medication 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.

POLICIES (continued)

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Policy/Regulation # 6141.38, Bring Your Own Electronic Communication Device 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, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve new Bylaw # 9012, Legal responsibilities of the Board of Education 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.

2013-2014 BUDGET

The Board had a brief discussion regarding the 2013-2014 budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSSION

J. Miller moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to move to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy and negotiations at 10:01pm.

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

P. Checco moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to come out of executive session and return to its regular meeting at 10:44pm.

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

R. DiStephan moved, J. Miller seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its meeting at 10:45pm.

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