

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2013
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 P.M.
REVISED MINUTES

Superintendent Biviona called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Harry Shaker, Susan Queenan, Victor Katz, Scott McCarthy, Paul Checco, Steve Harding and Greg Beck

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

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Board welcomed its newly elected members to the Brookfield Board of Education: Steve Harding and Greg Beck.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to open the floor to accept nominations for the office of Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

Victor Katz nominated Scott McCarthy as the Chairman for the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to close the floor to accept nominations for the office of Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

By a show of hands, the Board voted 7-0 to elect Scott McCarthy as the Chairman for the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to open the floor to accept nominations for the office of Vice Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

Susan Queenan nominated Paul Checco as the Vice Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education
Steve Harding nominated Harry Shaker as the Vice Chairman for the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to close the floor to accept nominations for the office of Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

By a show of hands, Harry Shaker received 3 nominations for Vice Chairman for the Brookfield Board of Education

By a show of hands, the Board voted 4-3 to elect Paul Checco as Vice Chairman of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan and V. Katz voted aye.

H. Shaker, S. Harding and G. Beck voted no

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to open the floor to accept nominations for the office of Secretary of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

Steve Harding nominated Susan Queenan for Secretary of the Brookfield Board of Education

By a show of hands, the Board voted 7-0 to elect Susan Queenan as Secretary of the Brookfield Board of Education.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke about Greg Beck stepping down from the Brookfield Board of Education: Lori, Souse, Nancy Lincoln, Christopher Kuk, Kaleigh Frame, Carolyn Marron, Linda Fisher, David Sweet, Kate Mayer, Anna Sullivan, Laura Orban, Tara Lerner, Catherine Malek, Linda Frame, Kelly LoFaso, Catherine Klas and David Stowe.

Karen Murano asked a use of building question.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

None

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

The following people asked for the resignation of Greg Beck: Gregory Schulte, Sarah Sydney, Marcy Durnell, Ryan Clancy, Liz Kennedy, Anne Morton and Jen Falci. Glenn Rooney asked about the audit.

P. Checco moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to move up item 13A, Swim Team trip to this part of the meeting.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

S. Queenan moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve a trip to Florida for the swim team from as recommended by Athletic Coordinator Cyndie Adamski and Swim Coach Brian Reiff.

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting- 11/6/13

S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

The Superintendent said the Budget Round table was on 11/18. They reviewed budget goals. Mr. Bivona joined Brookfield's Teacher of the Year Lisa Schang to the Teacher of the Year Ceremony at the Bushnell on 11/19. College Board AP- Brookfield has received this award for the 3rd year in a row. BHS has received the Apple Distinguished Award for the second year in a row. Veteran's Day report- The Principal's gave an overview on the activities they had on Veteran's Day. Mr. Bivona thanked the public for speaking earlier in the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy- 11/6- Mr. Katz said the subcommittee continued its discussion on the bullying policy.
B & FC- 11/11- Mr. Checco and Mr. Colley reported on the financials, the PEGPETIA grant, clean energy, HHES facilities, budget, security and the audit.
CAPE- 11/19- Mr. Katz said CAPE discussed the revisions to the Program of Studies for BHS as well as a third world language and teacher websites

CONSENT AGENDA

S. Queenan moved, G. Beck seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as recommended.
S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

CLASS SIZE REPORT

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

BHS PROGRAM OF STUDIES

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the revisions made to the BHS Program of Studies as recommended by the CAPE subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.
S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

POLICY

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve Policy #1316, Conduct on School Property for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.
S. McCarthy, P. Checco, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, V. Katz, S. Harding and G. Beck voted aye.

BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES

The Board discussed its subcommittee structure.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to conduct, P. Checco moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 9:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

Susan Queenan, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education

