

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Brookfield Public Schools**  
**REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016**  
**BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

Chairman Bob Belden called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

**Present:** Bob Belden, Paul Checco, Colette Sturm, Harry Shaker, Tara Lerner, Steve Harding and Eve Sturdevant

**Also Present:** Superintendent John Barile, Assistant Superintendent Maureen Ruby, Director of Finance Ken Post, WMS Principal Deane Renda, and members of the staff and public.

Mr. Belden asked for a moment of silence to honor Pearl Harbor Day.

The special chorus performed the National Anthem

BHS Special Chorus along with Choir Director John Lamendola and Band Director Stephen St. George had their students perform.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT-WHISCONIER MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The Board and Superintendent would like to spotlight the students from Whisconier Middle School who shared the student writing celebration and highlighted teachers college. Mr. Renda also reported on recycling challenge they are doing with Cape town South Africa and gave an update from a Veteran who spoke at WMS on Veteran's Day.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Scott Wallman spoke about an enrollment issue with his son.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Earl de los Santos gave an update on the happenings at BHS.

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the minutes listed below as amended:

Regular Meeting- 11/16/16

B. Belden, P. Checco, C. Sturm, H. Shaker, T. Lerner, S. Harding and E. Sturdevant voted aye.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Mr. Barile updated the Board on the most recent district newsletter. He reported on the CABA Convention in November where Tony Wagner, author of *Most Likely to Succeed*, was the guest speaker who spoke about moving forward in education. Mr. Barile said he and Ann Baldwin were presenters at the conference. He also said the Sherman Public Schools is asking as a district if BHS would accept Sherman high school students. Preparation is underway for the 2017-18 budget presentation and the proposal will be presented on December 21<sup>st</sup>. He gave an update on already completed/upcoming meetings with administrators and individual teachers. BHS swimming and Soccer were State Champs and they were invited to the Board of Selectmen meeting to be recognized. Ingersoll Auto donated 5 computers to BHS. Mr. Barile said some of our students participated from HHES and CES for writing with the State Connecticut writing project. Superintendent Barile congratulated Harry Shaker on his 10+ years of service to the Board of Education.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BFC 11/14/16-**Mr. Checco said the subcommittee had a proposal presented by Honeywell regarding lighting and HVAC. They also received an update on the BHS water project, BHS roof and auditorium lights, video and sound project. Discussion also included the 10 year CIP, HHES portables/architect RFP, BlumShapiro projects, budget prep, CES floor and office odor and the A/C in the BHS Science wing.

**Policy 11/16/16-** Mr. Harding said the subcommittee discussed new Data Privacy Act and new language for Reference checks. They continued discussion on the #9000 Bylaw series.

**Ad Hoc Update-** Mr. Checco and Mr. Barile gave an update on the tours that the Ad Hoc Committee attended on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> of CES, HHES & WMS. The next meeting of the committee is Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as recommended.

B. Belden, P. Checco, C. Sturm, H. Shaker, T. Lerner, S. Harding and E. Sturdevant voted aye.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2017-2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The Board received an initial draft the 2017-2018 school calendar as recommended by Superintendent John Barile. They discussed suggestions/changes and the calendar will be brought back to the full Board for its consideration/approval.

### **BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve its subcommittee structure and other Board representation (Magnet School, BEF, Education Connection, Brookfield Cares, RBAC) from January-June, 2017.

B. Belden, P. Checco, C. Sturm, H. Shaker, T. Lerner, S. Harding and E. Sturdevant voted aye.

**ANTICIPATED GRANT FUNDING**

The Board received a report on Anticipated Grant Funding from Director of Business and Operations Ken Post.

Mrs. Sturm listed upcoming events.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Chairman Belden adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

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Colette Sturm, Secretary  
Brookfield Board of Education