

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Brookfield Public Schools**  
**REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 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, Eve Sturdevant and Steve Harding

Superintendent John Barile, Assistant Superintendent Maureen Ruby, Director of Finance Al Cameron, HHES Principal Mary Rose Dymond, and members of the staff and public.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rich Saluga thanked the Board for their work and handed out a sheet on BOE budget savings.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Earl Del los Santos gave a report on the happenings at BHS.

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

C. Sturm moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Mr. Barile gave an update on Strategic- Coherence Planning, and the Connecticut Next Gen Accountability System. Steve Baldwin will be recognized on Saturday by the CIAC.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Communications-** Mrs. Lerner gave an update on the website and some communications by the Superintendent. They spoke about a Facebook page and a newsletter coming out to the community through the mail.

**CAPE-**Mrs. Sturm said Dr Ruby will present 2 items for approval; Open Court Phonemic Awareness and Phonics, Reading Foundations, Grades K-3 and Units of Study for Teaching Reading and Writing: retroactively approve both for grades K-4, and approve the extension of Reading through Grade 5 and writing through Grade 8. They spoke about curriculum across the Board, Social Studies curriculum, Science Standards and the Math Committee.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

C. Sturm moved, T. Lerner seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as recommended.

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NEXT GENERATION ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT**

The Board received an update from Dr. Ruby on the Next Generation Accountability Report and presented a power point.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **APPROVAL OF CIRRICULAR TOOL/MATERIAL**

C. Sturm moved, T. Lerner seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 that the Board approve the following curricular tool and material as recommended by the CAPE subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maureen Ruby: Open Court Phonemic Awareness and Phonics, Reading Foundations, Grades K-3.  
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Mrs. Sturm listed upcoming events.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION ANTICIPATED**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel negotiations and strategies, unaffiliated salaries, the performance and contract terms of the Superintendent, and contract terms of the Assistant Superintendent and Director of Finance at 8:56 pm.

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

B. Belden moved, C. Sturm seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to enter into executive session at 9:11 pm and invite Superintendent Barile to join them.

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

B. Belden moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to come out of executive session and return to regular session at 9:23 pm.

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

B. Belden moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve a 2.5% pay increase for unaffiliated employees beginning 7/1/16, consistent with increases by bargaining units received for the same term.

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, B. Belden adjourned the regular meeting at 9:25pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

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Colette Sturm, Secretary, Brookfield Board of Education