

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 2013
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Vice Chairman Jane Miller called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Jane Miller, Susan Queenan, Victor Katz, Harry Shaker and Scott McCarthy
Ray DiStephan arrived at 8:18pm
Paul Checco arrived at 7:12pm

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rich Saluga asked about the budget proposal

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Julia DePoi updated the Board on the happenings at BHS

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

none

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended

Regular- 3/20/13

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Policy- 3/20/13- Mrs. Miller said there are new policies coming before the Board later in the meeting.
Personnel & Negotiations- 3/27/13- Mrs. Miller said there are several new job descriptions coming before the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the items on the consent agenda as recommended.

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

NEW BUSINESS

SETTING OF THE GRADUATION DATE FOR THE CLASS OF 2013

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to set the graduation date for the Class of 2013 for Saturday, June 22, 2013 at 8:00pm at the O’Neil Center, Western Connecticut State University.

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

DISCUSSION OF SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to discuss the contract of employment of non-tenured teachers and that they not be renewed for the following year upon its expiration at the end of the 2012-2013 school year, and that the Superintendent of Schools is directed to advise such person(s) in writing of this action.

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

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

The Board discussed the Superintendent’s recommendation for the last day of school for the 2012-2013 school year.

After discussion, V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation to have the last full day of school for students on Friday, June 21, 2013.

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

POLICIES

V. Katz moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy and Regulation# 4118.6/4218.6 Cellular Telephone/District Issued or Privately Owned Communication Devices for a first reading as recommended by the policy subcommittee.

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

V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Bylaw# 9325.5, Requests for Information by Board Members for a first reading as recommended by the policy subcommittee.

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

V. Katz moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy # 3517, Security of Buildings and Grounds for a first reading as recommended by the policy subcommittee.

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

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the new stipend position the Assistive Technology Coordinator job description as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT CHAIR

V. Katz moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the revisions to the Special Education Department Chair job description as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

MAINTENANCE MECHANIC/HVACR TECHNICIAN

V. Katz moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the new Maintenance Mechanic/HVACR Technician job description as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

HEAD CUSTODIAN

V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the revisions to the Head Custodian job description as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

CURRICULUM SPECIALIST K-12

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the new Curriculum Specialist K-12 job description as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

OLD BUSINESS

V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to amend the agenda to move item 12-1 to the last portion of the agenda.

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

2013-2014 BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Board continued its discussion on the 2013-2014 budget. The Superintendent distributed and discussed a breakdown of possible reductions.

SECURITY UPDATE

The Board received a school building security update as reported by Superintendent Anthony J. Bivona.

NEW TEACHER EVALUATION GUIDELINES

J. Miller moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 4-3 to approve the new Teacher Evaluation Guidelines as recommended by the Connecticut State Department of Education and as presented by Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone on March 20, 2013.

J. Miller S. McCarthy, P. Checco and H. Shaker voted aye.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan and V. Katz voted no

ADJOURNMENT

S. McCarthy moved, J. Miller seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 10:16 pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

Susan Queenan, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education