

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2012
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 P.M.

AGENDA AND SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Vice Chairman Jane Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: J Miller, Susan Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, Scott McCarthy and V. Katz

Ray DiStephan arrived at 8:08pm

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

RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS

The Board and Superintendent heard an update from Huckleberry Hill Elementary School on the Earth Day Celebration held on Saturday, April 28th and HHES Exercise for Diabetes month from February 1st, 2012 to February 29th, 2012. Meredith McGlynn brought student to give a report on the earth day celebration and Karin Prizio brought students to give a report on the diabetes walk.

Vice Chairman Jane Miller, on behalf of the Brookfield Board of Education, read a proclamation designating the week of May 7th to May 11th, 2012 as "Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week". Tim Laughlin was there to represent the teachers.

Vice Chairman Jane Miller, on behalf of the Brookfield Board of Education, read a proclamation designating Wednesday, May 9th, 2012 as School Nurses Day. Karin Prizio was there to represent the nurses.

The Board and Superintendent recognized the students who participated in the Housatonic Regional Recycling Task Force poster contest. Dorina Leslie introduced the students and their work was displayed in a power point presentation.

The Board and Superintendent recognized Odyssey of the Mind for their achievements during their recent competitions. Students from all 3 teams spoke about their problem solving projects.

The Board took a brief recess at 7:50pm and returned at 8:02pm

V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to amend the agenda to move up item 12-1, Odyssey of the Mind Field Trip approval.

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

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND TRIP

S. Queenan moved, S. McCarthy seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve a trip for Odyssey of the Mind to attend the Worlds Competition at Iowa State University in Ames Iowa from Thursday, May 24th - Sunday, May 27th as requested by Cindy Carroll.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Jack Dunn gave an update on the happenings at BHS.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

none

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

After discussion, S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes listed below as amended:

Regular Meeting- 4/25/12

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Mr. Bivona gave an update to the Board regarding Senate Bill 24 Education Reform. Discussion included teacher evaluation.

Mr. Bivona, Joe Palumbo and Charlie Manos visited the Mamaroneck High School Alternative Education program on April 26th.

The Superintendent said the Art Show had its opening on May 2nd at 5:30. The show will run until Thursday, May 31st.

Superintendent Bivona went to Hartford earlier in the day to see WMS teachers Sue Crean and Tracy Tishion along with a few students at the Connecticut Educators Computer Association where they displayed class technology projects.

COMMUNICATIONS

CAPE- 4/24/12- Mr. Katz said the subcommittee discussed the revision of the Brookfield Public Schools Literacy Frameworks as well as the HHES and WMS Summer Reading programs.

CONSENT AGENDA

J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items on the consent agenda as recommended.

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

NEW BUSINESS

LITERACY FRAMEWORKS

After a power point presentation by Dr. Slone, Shawn Knapp, Jen Galik, Deane Renda and Liz Spencer, J. Miller moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the revised Literacy Frameworks as recommended by the CAPE subcommittee and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone.

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION

The Board discussed scheduling the Superintendent's evaluation and format.

OLD BUSINESS

2012-2013 BUDGET/TOWN MEETING

The Board discussed the 2012-2013 budget and Town Meeting held on May 1, 2012. The vote will be held on Tuesday, May 15th.

ADJOURNMENT

V. Katz moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 9:11pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

Susan Queenan, Secretary
Brookfield Public Schools