

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Brookfield Public Schools**  
**REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017**  
**BROOKFIELDHIGHSCHOOLMEDIACENTER, BROOKFIELD, CT**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**MINUTES**

Chairman Bob Belden called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

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

**Also Present:** Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maureen Ruby, Director of Business & Operations Ken Post, Director of Special Services Dr. Christine Sipala, BHS Principal Marc Balanda, WMS Principal Deane Renda, HHES Principal Mary Rose Dymond, CES Principal Dr. Krys Salon, Director of Instruction Deb Farias, and members of the staff and public.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT- HUCKLEBERRY HILL SCHOOL**

Mrs. Hackett from the HHES second grade brought 3 students and 2 pets (Hedgie the Hedgehog and Clay the Bunny) to show how the teacher is supporting and motivating non-readers.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE- DANIEL BERRYMAN**

Daniel Berryman gave an update on the happenings at BHS.

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

Kim McCarthy wrote about a BOE agenda idea.

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

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

Special Meeting- 9/20/17 6:30 pm

Regular Meeting- 9/20/17

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Mr. Harding gave an update on ECS and the current State budget. Dr. Barile gave an update on the 2018-2019 Budget process status as well as the BHS World Language Lab Article and the YALE Center for Emotional Intelligence to include the Changemaker Fellowship. The Brookfield Education Foundation awarded a grant Whisconier Anchors Training Grant. CES and HHES will follow in the future with training.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Policy- 9/20/17-** Mr. Harding said the subcommittee discussed Narcan and a few Bylaws coming to the Board for a first reading.

**Strategic Facilities Steering Committee update-** Mrs. Sturdevant said the committee interviewed 3 firms for the facilities study. Tecton was chosen to lead the study. References for the company checked out and the next step is to find funding.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

No items to report

S. Harding moved, R. Fernandes seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to move up item 14C to this portion of the agenda.

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

### **PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> GRADE TEACHERS COLLEGE READING UNITS OF STUDY**

C. Sturm moved, E. Sturdevant seconded, to approve the 6th-8th grade teachers college reading units of study as presented by WMS Curriculum Resource teacher Aggie-Burns.

After discussion, C. Sturm moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to amend the motion that the Board hear a presentation and approve the 6th-8th grade teachers college reading units of study for a pilot program for the 2017-2018 school year as presented by WMS Curriculum Resource teacher Aggie Burns.

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **BYLAWS**

##### **BYLAW #9325.43**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve Bylaw #9325.43, Electronic Participation, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

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

##### **BYLAW #9321, TIME, PLACE NOTIFICATION FOR MEETINGS**

C. Sturm moved, R. Fernandes seconded, to approve Bylaw #9321, Time, Place Notification for Meetings, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

After discussion, S. Harding moved to amend the original motion to change subsection C to subsection B in Bylaw#9321, seconded by R. Fernandes and the Board voted 7-0.

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

##### **BYLAW #9320, MEETINGS- DELETE**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, to approve the deletion of the old version of Bylaw #9320, Meetings, as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

After discussion, C. Sturm moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the deletion of the old version of Bylaw #9320, Meetings, for a first reading, as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

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

### **BYLAW #9320, MEETINGS OF THE BOARD-NEW**

C. Sturm moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the new version of Bylaw #9320, Meetings, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee, with the understanding that this Bylaw will go back to the Policy subcommittee for language changes.

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

### **BYLAW #9322, PUBLIC AND EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

C. Sturm moved, E. Sturdevant seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve Bylaw #9322, Public and Executive Sessions, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee.

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **BHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT FIELD TRIP TO NIAGARA FALLS**

C. Sturm moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the Brookfield High School Music Department to take a trip to Niagara Falls from Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 to participate in the Darien Lake Park Music Festival as requested by BHS Principal Marc Balanda.

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

### **DISTRICT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (DIP)**

The Board received a presentation on the 2016-2017 District Implementation Plan as presented by Superintendent Dr. John Barile and the School Improvement Plan reports from the building principals.

Mrs. Sturm listed upcoming events.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Bob Belden adjourned the meeting at 10:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

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Colette Sturm, Secretary  
Brookfield Board of Education