

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER, BROOKFIELD, CT
7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Chairman Colette Sturm called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present: Colette Sturm, Bob Belden, Joy Greenstein, Eve Sturdevant Rosa Fernandes, Jen Laden and Debbie Brooks

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

INTRODUCTION OF CERTIFIED STAFF MEMBERS

The Board was introduced to the new staff for the 2019-2020 school year.

OPENING DAY REPORT

The Board heard an opening day report from the four building principals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ron Jaffe spoke about Brookfield CARES

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Maansi Barnwal gave an update on the happenings at BHS

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

J. Greenstein moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

Board Retreat- 8/21/19 5:00 pm

Regular Meeting- 8/21/19

Special Meeting- 8/26/19

C. Sturm, B. Belden, J. Greenstein, E. Sturdevant, R. Fernandes, J. Laden and D. Brooks voted aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

None

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Special Policy/Communications- 8/21/19- Mrs. Fernandes said the subcommittee met on the residency policy. Discussion will continue at the next policy subcommittee.

CONSENT AGENDA

J. Greenstein moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve the items on the consent agenda as recommended

C. Sturm, B. Belden, J. Greenstein, E. Sturdevant, R. Fernandes, J. Laden and D. Brooks voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

STRATEGIC PLANNING

The Board entered into discussion regarding Strategic Planning as a follow up from the August 21st Board retreat.

ENROLLMENT REPORT- MILONE & MACBROOM

The Board received an enrollment report by Milone and MacBroom. Several questions were asked regarding methods and the reason for the difference between the June, 2018 Milone & MacBroom report and the August, 2019 report. The Board and Dr. Barile requested that Milone & MacBroom update the report with the October 1st enrollment results from 2019 in alignment with what is reported to the State of Connecticut

SUMMER TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

The Board received an update on summer technology projects as presented by Technology Director Eric Conklin.

SUMMER/FALL ATHLETICS UPDATE

The Board received an update on summer/fall athletics as presented by Athletic Director Steve Baldwin.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT

The Board received an update on the new school building project.

3 MAIN POINTS

1. Enrollment update
2. Technology update
3. Athletics update

Mrs. Greenstein listed upcoming events

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANTICIPATED

J. Greenstein moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion and possible action regarding attorney/client privileged communications and pending litigation at 8:43pm.

C. Sturm, B. Belden, J. Greenstein, E. Sturdevant, R. Fernandes, J. Laden and D. Brooks voted aye.

Chairman Colette Sturm called the meeting to order at 8:50 pm.

Present: Colette Sturm, Joy Greenstein, Rosa Fernandes, Debbie Brooks, Bob Belden, Eve Sturdevant and Jen Laden

Invited in: Superintendent Dr. John Barile and Attorney Daniel Murphy at 8:50

The Board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussion and possible action regarding attorney/client privileged communications and pending litigation.

Superintendent Dr. John Barile exited at 9:01.

Colette Sturm, Joy Greenstein, Eve Sturdevant, Rosa Fernandes, Debbie Brooks, Bob Belden, Jen Laden, and Attorney Daniel Murphy exited out of executive session at 9:43.

C. Sturm moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 that the Board authorize the Board Chair to communicate results consistent with executive session discussions to the appropriate party.

C. Sturm, B. Belden, J. Greenstein, E. Sturdevant, R. Fernandes, J. Laden and D. Brooks voted aye.

C. Sturm moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 that the Board shall receive refresher training regarding Board Member communications.

C. Sturm, B. Belden, J. Greenstein, E. Sturdevant, R. Fernandes, J. Laden and D. Brooks voted aye.

Without objection, Chairman Colette Sturm adjourned the meeting at 9:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

Joy Greenstein, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education