

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Brookfield Public Schools**  
**REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2014**  
**BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

Vice Chairman Paul Checco called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

**Present:** Paul Checco, Susan Queenan, Victor Katz, Harry Shaker, Steve Harding and Tara Lerner

**Absent:** Scott McCarthy

**Also Present:** Superintendent Anthony Bivona, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone, Director of Special Services Charlie Manos, Interim Business Manager Ed Arum, BHS Principal Joe Palumbo, WMS Principal Deane Renda, HHES Principal Mary Rose Dymond, CES Principal Dr. Krys Salon and members of the staff and public.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rich Saluga spoke about information he asked for on the budget.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Mackenzie Parascondola gave an update on the happenings at BHS. She read a letter from the Class of 2015 regarding taking English 5 out of the curriculum and several students came in support and presented a petition. Mr. Palumbo and Mrs. Spencer explained the reasoning. Cooper Yusko spoke in support of English 5.

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

Tammy Sylvester wrote about snow days and Pop Warner football  
Ronald Orban wrote about the school budget proposal  
Erin and David Sweet wrote about education needs to be the priority in Brookfield  
Sherrie Keefe wrote about Brookfield students making Pop Warner all stars  
Rich Saluga wrote about an information request  
Noreen Dillon wrote about meeting times  
Glenn Rooney wrote about year to date spending

Mrs. Queenan read a letter written to the Board from the Scholastic Coordinator for Pop Warner

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

S. Queenan moved, S. Harding second and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

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P. Checco, S. Queenan, V. Katz, H. Shaker, S. Harding and T. Lerner voted aye.

### **SUPERINTENDENT’S UPDATE**

Website update – Mr. Bivona gave an update on the new website including the cost and timeline. A demographic study presentation will be given at the Board meeting on 3/19/14. Mr. Bivona introduced Ed Arum as the Interim Business Manager

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

none

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

P. Checco, S. Queenan, V. Katz, H. Shaker, S. Harding and T. Lerner voted aye.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **DISTRICT COMMITTEES**

The Board received a list of the committees in the district.

Tara Lerner will be on the Ad Hoc committee

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **FLEXIBILITY OPTIONS TO THE GUIDELINES FOR EDUCATOR EVALUATION**

After brief discussion, S. Queenan moved, S. Harding seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the revision to the 2013-2014 Educator Evaluation Plan for Brookfield Public Schools Certified Staff as recommended by Dr. Genie Slone.

P. Checco, S. Queenan, V. Katz, H. Shaker, S. Harding and T. Lerner voted aye.

### **2014-2015 BUDGET**

The Board continued its discussion on the 2014-2015 budget. Mr. Checco reminded everyone that the Board of Education will present their budget to the Board of Finance on Thursday, March 6, 2014. Mr. Bivona gave an update.

### **2012-2013 AUDIT**

The Board discussed the 2012-2013 audit. Mr. Checco gave an update.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

V. Katz moved, S. Queenan seconded, and the Board moved 6-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 905pm.

P. Checco, S. Queenan, V. Katz, H. Shaker, S. Harding and T. Lerner voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

