

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER, BROOKFIELD, CT
7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Chairman Colette Sturm called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

Also Present: Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Director of Business & Operations Ken Post, Director of Special Services Gina Wygonik, BHS Principal Marc Balanda, WMS Principal Deane Renda, CES Principal Mary Rose Dymond, and members of the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Maansi Barnwal gave an update on the happenings at BHS

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

Andy Corea wrote regarding an FOIA request

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

New School Project Forum- 9/26/19
Regular Meeting- 10/2/19

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

The Superintendent said the district is being recognized by CABE for 5 projects. Dr. Barile introduced Yvonne Cech from The Brookfield Library who gave a PowerPoint presentation on summer reading.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities- 10/2/19- Mrs. Sturdevant said the subcommittee talked about storage at BHS. BHS has its new generator and is currently being installed.

Personnel & Negotiations- 10/7/19- Mrs. Sturm said the subcommittee went into executive session to discuss collective bargaining.

Finance – 10/7/19- Mr. Belden said the subcommittee talked about the financial reports and they had a detailed review of the student activity account. They want to spend more time looking the account. They got an update on the on line payment option and it is being expanded. They talked about a special education clerk position.

Healthy School Start Times- 10/8/19- Mrs. Fernandes said the subcommittee received a report from the Newtown Board of Education Chairman regarding changing start times. They talked about the surveys and having a public forum.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

September Financials

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

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION CLERK POSITION

After discussion, J. Greenstein moved, E. Sturdevant seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve reinstating an 18 hour special education clerk position that was eliminated in the development of the 2018-2019 budget, as recommended by the Personnel and Negotiations subcommittee.

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

BUDGET TRANSFER

J. Greenstein E. Sturdevant moved, seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to approve a budget transfer as requested by Director of Business and Operations Ken Post.

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

2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR

The Board received the 2020-2021 school calendar as recommended by Superintendent Dr. John Barile.

DISTRICT ENROLLMENT REPORT

The Board received a district enrollment report from Superintendent Dr. John Barile.

PRIORITIZED 20-21 AND UPDATED 10-YEAR PRIORITIZED CAPITAL PROJECTS

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

The Board discussed the 20-21 and updated 10-year Prioritized Capital Projects List.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT

The Board discussed the new school building project and the updated Milone & MacBroom enrollment study. Jeff Wyszynski from Tecton gave an update on the enrollment numbers and the progress of the project.

3 MAIN POINTS

1. Next forum on new school
2. Enrollment study
3. Special Education Clerk

Mrs. Greenstein listed upcoming events

EXECUTIVE SESSION

J. Greenstein moved, R. Fernandes seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's goals at 8:19 pm

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 8:45pm.

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

Invited in: Superintendent Dr. John Barile at 8:45

The Board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's goals.

Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Colette Sturm, Rosa Fernandes, Debbie Brooks, Bob Belden, Joy Greenstein, Eve Sturdevant and Jen Laden exited out of executive session at 9:21 pm.

Adjournment: Without objection, Chairman Colette Sturm adjourned the meeting at 9:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

Joy Greenstein, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education