### **BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## Brookfield Public Schools SPECIAL ZOOM MEETING – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022 6:15 p.m.

**MINUTES** 

Chairman Bob Belden called the meeting to order at 6:15p.m.

### PRESENT:

Bob Belden, Joy Greenstein, Amy Foster, Rosa Fernandes Debbie Brooks, Jen Laden, Mike Murphy and Superintendent Dr. John Barile

# <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION UPON BOARD POLICY ADDRESSING MASK</u> <u>MANDATES/POSSIBLE MOTION</u>

The Board of Education considered and discussed modifications of its policies regarding mask wearing and COVID mitigation.

After discussion, B. Belden moved, R. Fernandes seconded, and the Board voted 7-0 that, consistent with the provisions of Brookfield Board of Education policy 9314 and effective on March 1, 2022, Brookfield Board of Education Policies 4118.237, 4218.237 and 5141.8 shall be suspended until the Board takes further action on any of said enumerated policies or for the balance of the 2021-22 school year, whichever occurs first, for the purpose of making mask wearing within the schools or at school sponsored activities optional in response to the statewide elimination of mask mandates. Masks shall not be required to be worn by individuals present on school grounds or Board sponsored activities unless otherwise required by law, regulation, or by other legislative or executive order, and further subject to requirements imposed by third parties relating to Brookfield school activities occurring off school grounds. Masks shall still be required to be worn on school transportation consistent with federal regulations.

Furthermore, the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to act on its behalf to reinstate Brookfield Board of Education Policies 4118.237, 4218.237 and 5141.8 in whole or in part in the event of a change in circumstances warranting such consideration and/or upon recommendation from the Board's medical/health advisors, subject to final Board action.

B. Belden, J. Greenstein, A. Foster, R. Fernandes, D. Brooks, M. Murphy and S. Butow voted aye.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Chairman Belden adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

Amy Foster, Secretary Brookfield Board of Education