

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Brookfield Public Schools**  
**REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020**  
**BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**MINUTES**

Chairman Rosa Fernandes called the meeting to order at 7:04p.m.

**Present:** Rosa Fernandes, Bob Belden, Debbie Brooks, Amy Foster, Joy Greenstein and Michael Murphy

**Absent:** Jen Laden and Dr. Maureen Ruby

**Also Present:** Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Director of Business & Operations Ken Post, 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 administration, staff and public.

**BOARD RECOGNITION**

The Superintendent thanked the Board for all of their hard work during Board of Education appreciation month.

Michelle Embree Ku, Area Director for CAFE presented the Board with two awards from the 2019 CAFE Awards of Excellence in Communication.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Maansi Barnwal gave an update on the happenings at BHS

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

Shari Styranovski shared an opinion letter

Ron Jaffe wrote regarding the Attitudes and Behavior survey

Melissa Yager wrote regarding the budget

Pete Peterson wrote regarding a program for schools on distracted driving

Jill and Gene Ropiak wrote regarding 4<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

Regular Meeting- 2/19/2020

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Dr. Barile gave an update on the "Connecticut School Finance 101" presentation as well as what the district is doing to communicate information regarding the Coronavirus. Dr. Barile said RULER hosted their 1<sup>st</sup> conference which Dr. Ruby attended.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Facilities- 2/19/2020-** Mrs. Greenstein reported that the BHS generator is on and working. The WMS generator is ordered. Mrs. Greenstein also gave an update on paving at WMS, BHS HVAC controls regarding a standardized system as well as a custodial staffing update, BHS locker room and the burst pipe over the BHS nurses office.

**Policy/Communications- 2/19/2020-** Mrs. Brooks said the subcommittee discussed five policies coming before the Board for a first read. Mrs. Brooks and Dr. Murphy will be working together on a budget flyer.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the items on the consent agenda as recommended.

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **POLICIES**

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy #4118.52, Use of New Web Tools, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy/Communications subcommittee.

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

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy #4118.112, Sexual Harassment, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy/Communications subcommittee.

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

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy #4118.113, Harassment, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy/Communications subcommittee.

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

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy #4118.24, Staff/Student Non-Fraternization, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy/Communications subcommittee.

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

A. Foster moved, J. Greenstein seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy #4134, Tutoring, for a first reading as recommended by the Policy/Communications subcommittee.

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION'S BUDGET 2020-2021**

The Board continued its discussion on the Board of Education's 2020-2021 adopted budget.

### **NEW SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT**

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

**3 MAIN POINTS**

1. Budget
2. New School Project
3. CAFE awards

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mrs. Foster listed upcoming events

**ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Mrs. Fernandes adjourned the meeting at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

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Amy Foster, Secretary  
Brookfield Board of Education