

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Chairman Rosa Fernandes called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT:

Rosa Fernandes Bob Belden, Amy Foster, Debbie Brooks, Mike Murphy Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maureen Ruby, Director of Business & Operations Ken Post, and members of the public.

ABSENT:

Joy Greenstein and Jen Laden

PUBLIC COMMENT

Howard Lasser spoke about the Brookfield Craft Center.

The following people spoke about unmasking kids in school: Kerri Pierz, Laurie Olson, Sandra Augusto, Jennifer Augusto, Kelly Lulkay, Trina Capone, Lisa Zollbrecht, Logan White, Nadya Anikeeu, Kimberly Abreu, Ben Bogus, Nicole Drace, Austin Monteiro, Elena Lopez and Sarah Amaral

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

Christopher Sangalli, Jessica Juska, Erin Scalera, Howard Lasser, Hollene Gohn, Leslie Ruggiero, Michael Ecsedy, Meredith Adams and Sally Markiewicz wrote regarding masks.

Leslie Ruggiero wrote regarding communicating vaccine status.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

A. Foster moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

Regular Meeting- 7/21/2021

Board Retreat-7/28/2021

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Barile reported on the following items: New Teacher Orientation, the PowerSchool portal, kindergarten enrollment, no remote learning for inclement weather days, open house for 2021-2022 (virtual), Brookfield's Opening Plan, Brookfield Broadcast newsletter and the September 15th Board meeting (introduction of new staff and opening day report from Principals). Dr. Ruby gave an overview of the after school grant.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities- 8/4/2021- Mr. Post said the subcommittee received an update on the WMS water remediation, custodial and summer clean up, capital projects and fire marshal inspections. New business included discussion on the BHS boiler room. Mr. Caldwell updates the committee on the exterior railings leading to the BHS stadium and sprinkler maintenance.

Finance- 8/9/2021- Mr. Belden said old and new business included discussion of the 2021-2022 Financial update.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Foster moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the items on the consent agenda as recommended.

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

NEW BUSINESS

FLEXIBILITIES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CT GUIDELINES FOR EDUCATOR EVALUATION 2017 FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

After a summary presented by Dr. Ruby, A. Foster moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Flexibilities for Implementing the CT Guidelines for Educator Evaluation 2017 for the 2021-2022 School Year as recommended by Superintendent Dr. John Barile and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Maureen Ruby.

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

CANDLEWOOD LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT

The Board received an update on the Candlewood Lake Elementary School building project.

3 MAIN POINTS

1. After School Grant
2. TEVAL Flexibilities
3. Reopening

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mrs. Foster listed upcoming events.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANTICIPATED

A. Foster moved, B. Belden seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing attorney client privileged communication and the Superintendent's goals for 2021-2022 at 8:16pm.

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

Chairman Rosa Fernandes called the meeting to order at 8:25 pm.

Present: Rosa Fernandes, Bob Belden, Amy Foster, Debbie Brooks, and Mike Murphy.

The Board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussing attorney client privileged communication and the Superintendent’s goals for 2021-2022.

Bob Belden, Debbie Brooks, Rosa Fernandes, Amy Foster, and Mike Murphy exited out of executive session at 8:32 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Without objection, Chairman Rosa Fernandes adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk

Amy Foster, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education