

BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Brookfield Public Schools
REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2013
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Chairman Ray DiStephan called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Ray DiStephan, Susan Queenan, Victor Katz, Scott McCarthy, Harry Shaker and Paul Checco

Absent: Jane Miller

Mr. DiStephan congratulated the winners of the Municipal election. He said the security meeting scheduled for November 20th has been postponed.

Also Present: Superintendent Anthony Bivona, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Genie Slone, Director of Special Services Charlie Manos, Director of Finance Business and Technology Operations Art Colley, 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.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT OF STAFF AND STUDENTS- BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

The Board and Superintendent spotlighted the students from Brookfield High School and the Pay it Forward Club. Debbie Burch and Erin Stolfi talked about the program and introduced the students.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Donna Sedlak expressed her disappointment about having school on Veteran's Day. Each building principal gave an overview of what each building is doing on that day. Laura Orban spoke about Ray and thanked him for his service.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Mackenzie Parascondola gave an update on the happenings at BHS.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes listed below as recommended:

Regular Meeting – 10/16/13

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Mr. Bivona said that BHS has made the AP Honor Roll for the third year.

Mr. Bivona attended BEF uncorked on 11/2/13. They raised close to \$8,000.

The Superintendent and Board said goodbye to Ray DiStephan and Jane Miller and thanked them for their hard work.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CAPE- 10/15/13- Mr. Katz said the subcommittee discussed BHS credit for middle school students who take a class at BHS, K-4 standard based report card pilot for 2013-2014 and a world language survey for WMS and BHS.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

ANTICIPATED GRANT FUNDING

The Board received an overview document on Anticipated Grant Funding by Director of Finance, Technology and Operations Art Colley. Mr. Colley explained the data on the report.

OLD BUSINESS

POLICIES

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Policy#4148.1, Employee Safety, Brookfield School Security Advisory Council for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on 10/2/13.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve new Policy#3516, Safety, Safe and Secure School Facilities, Equipment, and Grounds, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on 10/2/13.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve new Policy#3517, Security of Buildings and Grounds, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on 10/2/13.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

S. Queenan moved, V. Katz seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to approve Bylaw#9120, Committees, for a final reading as recommended by the Policy subcommittee. First reading was on 10/2/13.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz voted aye.

2014-2015 BUDGET PRIORITY AREAS OF FOCUS

The Board received the Budget Priority areas of Focus for the 2014-2015 budget. Mr. DiStephan gave an overview.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

S. Queenan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent’s performance at 8:18 pm and invited Anthony Bivona, Charlie Manos and Art Colley.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz, voted aye.

R. DiStephan moved, P. Checco seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to come out of executive session at 9:30pm.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz, voted aye.

S. McCarthy moved, H. Shaker seconded, and the Board 6-0 to adjourn its regular meeting at 9:31 pm.

R. DiStephan, S. Queenan, H. Shaker, P. Checco, S. McCarthy and V. Katz, voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Morelli, Board Clerk

Susan Queenan, Secretary
Brookfield Board of Education