

Brimfield Elementary School Committee Meeting
Minutes of May 20, 2013
6:00 p.m.

Dan Valcour – Chair
Sharon Palmer – Vice Chair (arrived at 6:03 p.m.)
Aimee Campbell
April Frost
Dr. Erin Nosek - Superintendent
Brian Ledbetter - Principal
Deb Maher - Absent

Reference Material:

Brimfield Elementary School Committee Regular Session minutes – April 23, 2013
Financial Report – May 2013
Principal’s Report – May 2013
Special Rules of Order

Dan Valcour called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion 13-11: made by Aimee Campbell to accept the April 23, 2013 meeting minutes as written.
Motion seconded by April Frost.

Discussion: None

In favor: Valcour, Palmer, Campbell, Frost

School Choice Discussion and Vote:

Opened hearing.

No public comments.

Motion 13-11: made by Sharon Palmer to withdraw from the obligation to participate in School Choice for the school year beginning August 26, 2013, due to the Brimfield School Committee’s commitment to maintaining current class sizes. Motion seconded by April Frost.

Discussion:

VOTE: All in favor

Executive Session:

Motion 13-12: made by Aimee Campbell to enter into Executive Session according to M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 21A (3) for the purpose of collective bargaining. The Committee will reconvene in Open Session.
Motion seconded by Sharon Palmer.

Roll Call Vote to Enter Executive Session at 6:04 p.m.:

Valcour – yes Campbell – yes Palmer – yes Frost – yes

Roll Call Vote to Reconvene the Regular Session at 6:16 p.m.

Valcour – yes Campbell – yes Palmer – yes Frost - yes

Deb Boyd requested a vote on accepting the MOA with Brimfield Educational Support Personnel.

Motion 13-13: made by Sharon Palmer to accept the MOA with Brimfield Educational Support Personnel.
Motion seconded by Aimee Campbell.

VOTE: All in favor

Motion 13-14: made by Sharon Palmer to accept the MOA regarding the second insurance option.

Motion seconded by Aimee Campbell.

VOTE: All in favor

Financial Report:

Deb Boyd reviewed the Financial Report and indicated that the financial situation looks good for the remainder of the year.

Communications:

Special Rules of Order for consideration at the June 20th Joint Committee Meeting.
Deb Boyd reviewed the document.

Public Access:

None

Principal's Report: Brian Ledbetter

Mr. Ledbetter reviewed his written report.

- Boston Strong Spirit Day
- Summer Work Initiative
- 5/6 Grade Band Competition
- Citizen of the Month
- Building Use

Tantasqua Representative:

Dan Valcour gave an overview of the regional meeting of May 21st. There was discussion on the budget and the impact on French. The committee also discussed the School Resource Officer.

P.T.O. Shannon Field

Shannon Field reported on the carnival, plant sale, recycling. A \$5,000 donation was made for tables and chairs.

Recreation Committee: Michele Shea

Michele Shea reported on the cleaning and soccer.

Report of Committees:

Union 61 Subcommittee:

No report

Personnel Subcommittee:

No report

Building and Physical Plant:

No report

Issue/Study Subcommittee:

No report

By-Law and Policy Subcommittee:

No report.

Negotiations:

No report

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Nosek

Dr. Nosek reported on the Math Pilot program, changes in Educator Evaluation, and the resignation of Andrea Beaudry, Recording Secretary.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

On behalf of the Committee, April Frost offered thanks and appreciation to Andrea Beaudry for her many years of service as the Recording Secretary to the Committee.

Sharon Palmer asked about the fundraising policy. She raised concerns about the types of fundraising.

Public Access II:

None

Motion 13-15: made by April Frost to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 pm. Motion seconded by Sharon Palmer.

In favor: Palmer, Campbell, Frost.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Valcour

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Executive Session

Attendance:

Dan Valcour - Chairman
Sharon Palmer
Aimee Campbell
April Frost
Erin Nosek – Superintendent
Brian Ledbetter – Principal

Chairman Daniel Valcour announced that the Committee will enter Executive session at 6:04 p.m. under M.G.L. c. 30A, section 21.A.3. to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. The Committee will reconvene in open session.

Roll Call Vote:

Valcour: Yes
Palmer: Yes
Campbell: Yes
Frost: Yes

The Committee reviewed the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with the Brimfield Educational Support Association
Executive session concluded at 6:16 pm.

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Roll Call Vote:

Valcour: Yes
Palmer: Yes
Campbell: Yes
Frost: Yes

Respectfully submitted by Dan Valcour