

Brimfield Elementary School Committee Meeting
Minutes of November 24, 2015
6:30 p.m.

Delia Brower
Rusty Corriveau
Jennifer Custance
Michele Shea
Erin Nosek, Superintendent
Jeff Zanghi, Assistant Superintendent
Brian Ledbetter – Principal
Absent – Jennifer Foley

Reference Material:

Financial Report
Principal's Report
Memo - FY17 School Budget Liaisons
Enrollment Data

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

October 27, 2015 Regular Session

Motion 16-16 made by Rusty Corriveau, seconded by Jennifer Custance to accept the October 27, 2015 Regular Session meeting minutes as written.

Discussion: None

In favor: Unanimous

Financial Report:

Dr. Nosek reviewed the Financial Report; no significant variances.

Communications:

Memo from Deb Boyd re: FY17 School Budget Liaisons - FYI provided in the packet.

Public Access:

None

Principal's Report:

Mr. Ledbetter reviewed the Principal's Report:

- Sixteen families in the community received gift baskets provided by the PTO
- Technology Spotlight - With the new wireless infrastructure in place, classroom teachers have been able to access the iPads and laptops regularly; students are enjoying it.
- Veteran's Day Ceremony - Second grade is partnering with the Jr. High School in their Veteran's Day Celebration on November 24th. Local veterans will be attending; the second graders will be presenting handmade cards to them as a way to show appreciation for their service.
- Playground Update - November 13th was the official ribbon cutting ceremony for the PK and main playgrounds. Special thanks to all the families and local businesses for helping to make this happen.
- PBIS - Working to create a "Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Team". PBIS is a philosophy in which core values and positive incentives are embedded into the culture of the school. A set of core values will be established and will be visible, implemented and monitored throughout the entire school.
- Building Use - Brimfield Elementary continues to be a resource that benefits the community; many different groups utilize the facility for their programs.

2015 PARCC/MCAS Data Review - Packet distributed at meeting reviewed by Jeff Zanghi and Brian Ledbetter - Following highlights provided:

- Commendations/Positive Trends reviewed
- Improvement Opportunities discussed
- Percentage of students in each achievement level for ELA and Mathematics; charts and detailed reports provided
- School achievement distribution by year for Science and Technology/Engineering - MCAS Achievement Level

Tantasqua Representative:

Michele Shea reviewed the Tantasqua Report and Joint Committee Meeting:

- Joint meeting was held with Tantasqua Regional and Union 61 School Committees
- Negotiation requests took place
- Regional Agreement Amendment Committee (RAAC) - Working on updating agreement; will be voted at town meetings

P.T.O.:

- Turkey Baskets went out - Thanks to all that assisted
- Soup and Pie Fundraiser raised \$4500 for the PTO Bank
- Santa's Breakfast - To be held on December 5th
- Brain Show - Coming up in the new year

Report of Committees

Union 61 Subcommittee:

None

Personnel Subcommittee:

None

Building and Physical Plant:

None

Issue/Study Subcommittee:

None

By-Law and Policy Subcommittee:

None

Negotiations:

None

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Nosek reviewed the Superintendent's Report:

- Board of Education voted to transition to next generation of MCAS; new component of testing
- OSV Academy has been approved to go to the next level – A Public Hearing will be held at the high school auditorium on December 7, 2015
- Turkey Trot - 5K Road race walk and run
- Football tickets - Thanksgiving Day Game (tickets still available)
- Reminder - no December school committee meeting
- Parent reports from PARCC have been received and will be sent home soon

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Public Access II:

None

Motion 16-17 made by Delia Brower at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Jennifer Custance, to adjourn the meeting.

In favor: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Miarecki

Recording Secretary