

BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Tuesday, January 8, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Donald Faugno, Chair
Barbara Wilson, Vice-Chair/Secretary
Sharron Austin, Tantasqua Representative

ALSO PRESENT:

Erin Nosek, Superintendent; Deborah Boyd, Associate Superintendent; Kathleen Hosterman, Principal; Karen Miarecki, Recording Secretary; teachers and members of the community

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES:

Motion 13-13

Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the Minutes of December 11, 2012 Regular Session

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Nosek reviewed the Financial Report provided in the packet:
Good shape – No significant variances

PTO REPORT

N/A

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COMMUNICATIONS

- Southern Worcester County Educational Collaborative – First Quarter Report (FYI)
- Ethics Training – Reminder on training of ethics
- Information Regarding School Choice Process (Tantasqua) and Application Form (FYI)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Hosterman reviewed the Principal's Report. In addition, the following was discussed (the full report can be viewed upon request):

- Holiday Concerts – Thanks to Ms. Zimbaro and Mr. Fazio for the wonderful holiday concerts given by Kindergarten through grade 3 students and the grades 4-6 chorus and advanced band; heartfelt performances were provided showing their musical growth from the beginning of the school year.
- Lock Down – The first few weeks of January will include performing practice lock downs.

The Principal will be meeting with the Chief of Police and School Psychologist regarding the current procedure to see if it is sufficient.

Security doors were discussed; for consideration of placement throughout the school.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Nosek reviewed the Superintendent's Report:

- Educator Evaluation System – The committee agrees the Superintendent begin discussion on the new Teacher Evaluation Process as it pertains to contract language; no vote required
- January 17th – Mike Gilbert will be providing training at 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., regarding the new Education Evaluation System
- Reminder Tantasqua Budget – Brimfield Central Office and Jr. High School, Holland, Wales; revenue projections to follow

TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs. Austin reviewed the Tantasqua Representative Report:

- Was a solemn meeting due to the occurrence at Sandy Hook School
- Chorus – Dedicated a song to the Sandy Hook Victims
- Presentation on Superintendent Scholars
- Discussed Evaluation Training that took place
- Sub Committee – General updates provided on Bylaws
- Honor Roll Students- 93 New England Students A/P Classes
- SMARTboards donated to the Tech Division
- Policies on First Reading were voted upon
- Common Core – Letter to support repeal of The Common Core

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion 13-14

Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Policies AC, ACA, BEC, EBC, GBA, GCF, IJ, JB and JBA on Second Reading and Vote for Adoption.

Discussion: with the exception of Policy JFBB-1 to be discussed

VOTE: Unanimous

Motion 13-15

Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Policy JFBB-1 on Second Reading and Vote for Adoption

Discussion: Add "Tantasqua" or TRSD in front of "Committee" on last line of paragraph number 5. On paragraph number 6 after "gender identity" place a "comma"

VOTE: Unanimous, as amended

Mr. Faugno inquired as to when they would be meeting with Brookfield Educational Support Personnel, referencing communications from last month's meeting minutes:

Last Month's Communications:

Letter from Brookfield ESP Association re: Negotiations – Mr. Faugno, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Austin all would like to participate, possibly 4:00 p.m., meeting times to be determined

They will not be ready to meet until February, will look at the day of the next meeting 2/12; will advise.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion 13-16

Mr. Faugno moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the funding of \$8,266.00 from School Choice to be allocated to the students going to Camp Bournedale this year.

Discussion:

VOTE: Mr. Faugno – Yes, Mrs. Wilson – Yes, Mrs. Austin - Abstain

The proposed 2013-2014 Budget was reviewed page by page. The figure that will be presented at the March Public Hearing will be voted on at the February committee meeting.

Reviewed the Five-Year Capital Improvement and Technology Plan; to be revised and brought to next meeting.

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N/A

Motion 13-17

At 8:05 p.m., Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Wilson
Secretary

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