

BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Tuesday May 11, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Donald Faugno, Chair
Sheila Frangiamore, Secretary
Barbara Wilson, Tantasqua Representative

ALSO PRESENT:

Deborah Boyd, Business Manager; Kathleen Hosterman, Principal; Karen Miarecki, Recording Secretary; teachers and members of the community.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Faugno asked all present to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

REORGANIZATION

Motion 10-35

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Frangiamore to nominate Mr. Faugno as Chair for the Brookfield School Committee
There were no other nominations

VOTE: All were in favor

Mrs. Boyd turned the reorganization process over to Mr. Faugno for completion

Motion 10-36

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mr. Faugno to nominate Mrs. Frangiamore as Secretary for the Brookfield School Committee
There were no other nominations

VOTE: All were in favor

Motion 10-37

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mr. Faugno to approve April 13, 2010 Meeting Minutes
Discussion: Under Financial Report change "Mrs." to "Mr." Durgin.

VOTE: Unanimous

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Boyd reviewed the Financial Report provided in the packet

- Very good shape

COMMUNICATIONS

- FYI- Copy of State Law

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Hosterman reviewed her Principal Report as provided in packet

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Boyd reviewed the Superintendent report:

- MCAS
- Technical division – skills USA conferences

- Finalist for Principal – Recommendation next week, Erin Nosek

Motion 10-38

Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to continue to be a School Choice School and accept additional slots that are noted for Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth grades

Discussion

VOTE: Unanimous

Next September – Mrs. Hosterman will provide total number of applicants and slots available

Motion 10-39

Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson approve the ratified contract that has already been voted on for Brookfield ESP; allowing the Chair to sign the Committee Contracts on their behalf.

Discussion

VOTE: Unanimous

PUBLIC ACCESS

Questions and Answers regarding School Choice allocation to the town versus utilization within the school were discussed in length. The school committee gave an overview of how the money is utilized and where it goes to, providing knowledge of the system in whole. There is a very healthy School Choice reserve, as well as 40 children coming in next year with sufficient money to help the town with. The comfort level is always justified before allocating monies.

The PTO inquired upon the implementation of a much-needed School Playground, willing to raise half the money to help achieve this goal; seeking the other half from School Choice Funds. The School Committee welcomed this idea and will look at proposal/plans as they are assembled in the near future to vote upon.

TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs. Wilson discussed the Tantasqua Report:

- Dress Code
- Teachers Seminar's – Bullying
- Sport Teams

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Superintendent's Proposed Goals:

Goal 3: Cyber Bullying

Goal 4: Community Collaboration, Volunteering and Mentoring Possibilities

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Faugno would like information on the following from Mrs. Hosterman for next September:

- How many students buy lunch, how many students receive free/reduced lunches
- Receive List of 5-10 most frequently lunches served at Brookfield Elementary
- Mr. Faugno seeks Cafeteria Reports and average daily attendance, comparing the two
- Mr. Faugno would like a recommendation on reading preference regarding "Elementary Education" from Mrs. Hosterman

Motion 10-40

Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to reduce request to town by \$45,000.00 for a budget of \$2,774,330.00 and authorize expenditures up to \$45,000.00 from School Choice Money for the FY-11 operating budget.

Discussion

VOTE: Unanimous

Letter will be sent to selectman and advisory committee regarding the above vote

Motion 10-41

At 8:00 p.m., Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Frangiamore
Secretary/Vice Chair

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