

BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Meeting of Tuesday February 16, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Donald Faugno, Chair
Barbara Wilson, Tantasqua Representative
Sheila Frangiamore, Vice-Chair/Secretary

ALSO PRESENT:

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., Mr. Faugno asked all present to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion 11-27

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mr. Faugno to approve January 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes
Discussion:

VOTE: Mrs. Wilson-Yes, Mr. Faugno-Yes, Mrs. Frangiamore- Abstain

Motion 11-28

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mr. Faugno to approve January 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes
Executive Session
Discussion:

VOTE: Mrs. Wilson-Yes, Mr. Faugno-Yes, Mrs. Frangiamore- Abstain

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Boyd reviewed the Financial Report provided in the packet
Very good shape – Only one concern due to snow removal, seeking school choice funds that are appropriated for this year.

Motion 11-29

Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to allocate up to \$30,000.00 from school choice funds from costs associated with snow removal.
Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Discussed Budget with any line items that were in question. *Budget would be an increase of 1.21% increase*

Motion 11-30

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Frangiamore to bring forth to Public Hearing, an amount of \$2,869,724.00
Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Motion 11-31

Mrs. Frangiamore moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to utilize \$62,000.00 from School Choice to reduce the number brought to Public Hearing in the amount of \$2,807,724.00.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

PTO Report

Mrs. Austin reviewed the PTO Meeting Minutes, discussing the following:

Fundraisers:

- Yankee Candle In collaborative with music department for 4th , 5th and 6th grades (attending Six Flags)
- Easter Breakfast at Apple Bees April 10th
- Bingo for Books event in March – Books received through scholastic (no fee)
- Changes for 5K – Due to lack of attendance, pushing date of to the fall to combine with Family Fun Day at Lewis Field. Non-Profit organization willing to assist with advertising and insurance, asking for 10% of profit; looking into to utilize for first year.
- Scholastic book Fair and bake sale end of March
- Magician Night in April
- Lisa McGoveren – List provided regarding items that teachers are in need of. PTO will be providing them with a new paper cutter; will look into providing them with a new Laminator for end of school year.

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COMMUNICATIONS

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Hosterman reviewed her Principal Report as provided in packet.

- National assessment took place – went very well, they were pleased with Brookfield Elementary and vice versa, children responded well.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Durgin reviewed the Superintendent report:

- Audit produced at the Jr. High - Received a \$10,000.00 grant due to great gains in Special Ed and Low Income – Mr. Durgin will share interview report when it arrives.
- Interviews for designers for windows –Wednesday, lead-time – ordering, measuring on track.
- Snow – Structural Engineer – Core sampling took place. Removed snow, no evidence of distress. Shut down school one extra day, they will be going one extra day at the end of the school year.

TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE

- All budgets including central office still being worked on. Public hearing on March 16th 2011 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Social Networking Policy
- It was suggested that when the representatives come to talk on the MASC vote for the common CORE that we ask the other towns to be included.
- Roof and window projects ongoing
- Social at Tastefully TEDS at Public House was held.
- College planning night had 160 plus parents attend.

- Girls' indoor track will send 31 to districts the most ever for Tantasqua. Girls swimming will send ten. Boys indoor track best season ever 12-1. Boy's basketball won SWCL Central Conference title. They have the best record 12-2.
- Tantasqua to host the SWCL Championships. Tantasqua recently hosted the League Championships for both indoor track and swimming. For seven years in a row the MIAA awarded Tantasqua Athletic Department the Sportsmanship Award. Girls' basketball has already qualified for District play. They have had a great season.

February 15th Meeting:

Junior high and senior high provided many student achievements, below is a few to mention:

- Tech Division showed a project and told where they stand in the districts. We viewed a video that the Tech Media/TV students produced. They came in first place in the third annual contest. "Why Your School Is Cool." They also did a web series "Feels Like Monday." It can be viewed on <http://feelslikemonday.com>.
- The Choraleers performed at Worcester Art Museum. They are getting ready for the April vacation tour to France and Belgium. They will give a concert at the American Cemetery on the cliffs overlooking the beaches at Normandy Landing.
- The Science students are leaving for Puerto Rico

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

- Committee received an email Feb 8th; will respond to letter notifying sender to go through proper channels - Principal, Superintendent than the Committee.
- Mr. Faugno requested explanation on how the tech position works at the elementary school, inquiring upon a request of coordination with items that the town hall is seeking. Mr. Durgin discussed what the position entails- tech team addresses issues at any of the 4 schools, working on the electronic system through a ticketing system with prioritization dealing with web and weekly updates. Mr. Faugno can coordinate with the individual himself to assist with the town or utilization for weekend/off duty details separate from the school.

Motion 11-32

At 8:16 p.m., Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Frangiamore
Secretary/Vice Chair

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