

## **BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Meeting of Tuesday May 10, 2011

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### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Daniel Durgin, Superintendent; Kathleen Hosterman, Principal; Karen Miarecki, Recording Secretary; teachers and members of the PTO and community, 11 attendees noted.

Mr. Faugno asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance

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

### **Introduction of Sharron Austin**

### **REORGANIZATION**

#### **Motion 11-50**

Mrs. Wilson moved to nominate Mr. Faugno, as Chair for the Brookfield Elementary School year 2011-2012.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

#### **Motion 11-51**

Mrs. Wilson moved to nominate Sharron Austin as Tantasqua Representative for the Brookfield Elementary School year 2011-2012.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

#### **Motion 11-52**

Mr. Faugno moved to nominate Mrs. Wilson for Vice Chair and Secretary for the Brookfield Elementary School year 2011-2012.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### **Motion 11-53**

Mr. Faugno moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve April 12, 2011 Meeting Minutes.

Discussion:

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

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Durgin reviewed the Financial Report provided in the packet.

No significant variances.

## PTO Report

### **Fundraiser Review:**

- Teacher Appreciation Day – Breakfast and lunch were be provided for all - each day the children participated with the teacher appreciate week, by bringing in something new each day.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- May 13<sup>th</sup> – Magician
- May 25<sup>th</sup> – Grades 2-3 will attend Charlottes Web
- Visit from Barbara McGrath – Child author
- Playground – looking to add benches for sport use or teacher use
- Looking at utilizing the paved area for drawing the United States, Hopscotch, etc., for children utilization
- School sign – Discussed looking into a new one
- Nominating new fresh faces at next meeting

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### COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from MSBA approving Green Repair Project - Architect design for the windows, site visit will take place with a walk around regarding structures, bidding on project. Paperwork in process with Rudy Heller, town attorney, will be reviewed.

USDA – Equity and lunch fact sheet; will discuss next month regarding raising the prices of school lunch.

### PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

School Improvement Plan –

Goal #1 – Student Achievement, Goal #2 – Tolerance/Respect, Goal #3 – Parent Involvement and Communication (discussed Every Day Math, there will be an Information night for all new students/parents, as well as 10-lessons will be placed on the website for parents to participate in to be able to see how to assist their children.) Goal #4 – Technology; all discussed in detail.

### SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Durgin reviewed the Superintendent Report:

- Professional Development – Unwrapping the Standards, Common Core
- PTO- Outstanding work

### TANTASQUA REPRESENTATIVE

- Reorganized with Jim Cooke Chairperson until June when we will address it again.
- Several Fundraising Events -
  - Diabetic Walk, Walk for Water, Eight Relay for Life – raised \$32,000.00, raised \$10,000.00 for aid to Japan and raised \$200.00 to donate to American Red Cross
- Blood drive had over seventy students and staff that participated which netted over fifty pints of blood.
- Received donations – Sturbridge Police Bicycle and Helmet – Wal-Mart donated the second bicycle and helmet for the all night Read-A-Thon at the Junior High.
- Pole transformer for the electrical program worth \$1500.00 was donated by Mr. Cable, a parent.

- There are two new programs being offered in the Tech program – Office Technology and Hospitality.
- Mass Building Authority has approved the proposed project for the Junior High roof replacement and has authorized to go forward with project funding.
- Competition events - Tech program - Over seventy students competed in districts; seven from Brookfield were medal winners.
- Marching band performed in St. Patty’s Day Parade in Worcester
- Show choir performed at many events including All State Band and Chorus at Boston Symphony Hall, one boy won “Best Male Vocalist” in all three events.
- Sports – There are 242 student-athletes participating in athletic programs this spring.
- Competed in High School State Free Throw Championship at Banknorth Garden
- Won first Girl’s Basketball Championship since 1987
- Indoor track broke five school records this winter.
- Swimming broke eight school records this winter.
- Boys Basketball was League Champions for the sixth time in seven years
- Tennis, basketball, softball and lacrosse are beginning their spring season
- All star list – incorporates many students
- Student Council sponsored the Senior Prom for the elderly again this year,
- Tyler Latour was recognized by School Committee on becoming an Eagle Scout,

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Motion 11-54**

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Austin to approve Policy IJNDD Social Networking on Second Reading .

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

**Motion 11-55**

Mrs. Wilson moved to discuss, seconded by Mrs. Austin Policy IMG Animals in School on Second Reading .

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

**Motion 11-56**

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Austin to approve Policy IMG Animals in School on Second Reading

Discussion: With changes noted

VOTE: Unanimous, as amended

**Motion 11-57**

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Austin to approve Policy IJNDB Acceptable Electronic Network Use on Second Reading

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Everyday Math – Extensive discussion regarding Everyday Math; will be allocated on next months agenda for Part II of discussion regarding “Question and Answers” provided to review.

Public Access II – Next meeting will put motion forward regarding placement for Public Access on the agenda, after “New Business” to allow audience time for adequate comments and questions.

**Motion 11-58**

Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to agree to purchase the tractor attachments up to \$14,000.00 with a written agreement between the town and school that suits the committee.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

**Motion 11-59**

Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Austin to approve the three projects for Computer Lab, Carpeting and 9-Smart Boards with the revised amount stated.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Grade 1 School Choice Discussion: Not to accept any new Grade 1 students under School Choice.

**Motion 11-60**

Mrs. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to accept no additional slots for next year’s first grade.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Jim Cooke – June to discuss the Common Core
- Explanation of EDM, ELA, Science, History
- Next month provide topics to discuss on upcoming agendas

**Motion 11-61**

At 8:30 p.m., Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Austin, to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion:

VOTE: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Wilson  
Secretary/Vice Chair

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