

December 15, 2021

The Brimfield Board of Education held its regular meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 6 p.m. in the High School Library. Board President Updyke called the meeting to order with the following members present: Meyer, Snyder, Bell, Kappes, and Graham. Johnson joined remotely.

There was a moment of silence held in memory of Jacob Look.

The board recognized the following visitors: Peter Huang, Josh Murdock, and Dave Harmon.

Bell moved and Snyder seconded to approve the November 17, 2021 Regular meeting and Closed/Executive Session minutes. Motion Carried.

There was no public comment.

Updyke commended the Administration. You are great leaders and role models. Thank you.

Superintendent Shinall reported on his board report. Everyone was thanked for their cumulative efforts in helping make it through the first semester; we will be tracking the state of the pandemic over break. The Board was briefed on the status of the Annual Statement of Affairs, the unpaid lunch balance (making progress), the chromebook purchase- compliments of the federal Emergency Connectivity Fund (Mr. Henson was publicly thanked for his efforts), tuition waiver update, and how the test to stay option has been impacted. We have been approved for a distance learning grant; wording from a press release was shared. The Board was briefed on how distance learning will be beneficial as well as the expected monetary cost to the district. Meyer inquired if the tuition waiver has to be a yearly process and if there is another source for test-to-stay supplies. Shinall mentioned that the tuition waiver is good for 5 years and supplies are being sought with little success; we may be able to obtain supplies, but only if we are in an outbreak. Kappes was provided clarification on the test to stay process, per request. Snyder inquired if an outside test would suffice, Shinall informed him that, yes, but can only be from a pharmacy (home tests not accepted).

Mr. Robison reported on his High School Report. The focus has shifted after last week's tragedy; he commended the community for coming together to show their support. The girls' basketball team is still doing great things, despite losing to Morton this past Saturday. The Board was updated on professional development. Jake Lowery was congratulated for being the staff member of the month; congratulations went out to the students of the month as well.

Mrs. Albritton reported on her Grade School Report. A message from the Nurse was shared; there are now 4 positive cases. The Board was briefed on the BGStar newsletter, canned food drive, Old Settlers' donation, upcoming institute day, and ELA/K-8 curriculum review committee. The cafeteria tables have arrived and been installed! The Board was briefed on the upcoming events. Updates on Girls and Boys Basketball and the Volleyball team were shared.

There was new business to discuss/approve.

Meyer moved and Kappes seconded to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of the Tax Levy for FY22 School Year. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Meyer moved and Snyder seconded to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to spend \$61,238.85 on Chromebooks, reimbursable with the federal Emergency Connectivity Fund. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Meyer moved and Snyder seconded to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of the Bid for concrete work by the track. Bell requested details. We are hoping to have the discus and long jump areas repaired prior to the start of the track season. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Meyer moved and Kappes seconded to approve the modification to the BGS dress code. Grade School Principal Albritton explained why the modification to the dress code was needed.  
Motion carried

There were personnel matters to discuss/approve.

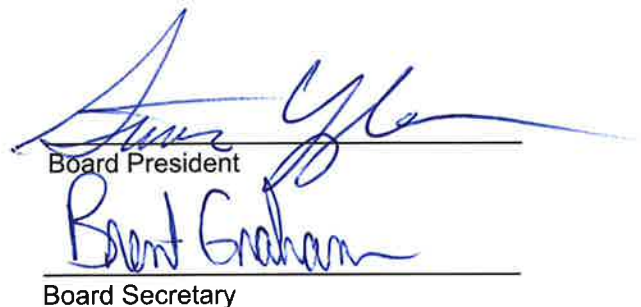
Meyer moved and Johnson seconded to approve Tucker Blum as the High School Boys JV Baseball Coach. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Meyer moved and Snyder seconded to approve Scott Carlson as the High School Boys 2nd Assistant Basketball Coach. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Meyer moved and Kappes seconded to approve the Consent Calendar items. Roll Call: Meyer - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Graham - yes, Kappes - yes, Johnson - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Superintendent Shinall thanked the Board Members for adjusting their time for this meeting.

At 6:19 p.m. Snyder moved and Graham seconded to adjourn the December 15, 2021 regular board meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education.  
Motion carried



Board President

Board Secretary