

April 10, 2024

The Brimfield Board of Education held its Regular meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 7 p.m. in the High School Library. Board President Updyke called the meeting to order with the following members present: Monk, Snyder, Butterfield, Kappes, Bell, and Blodgett.

The Board welcomed 6 visitors: Nick Vlahos, Angel Frail, Kris Frail, Marilyn Eberle, Dan Stahl, and Jenny Stahl.

Board President Updyke welcomed comments from the community; there were no comments

Snyder motioned and Blodgett seconded to approve the minutes from:

- March 20, 2024 Regular Meeting & Executive Session

Motion carried

Board President Updyke reported. The Boosters Club was thanked for the equipment purchase. It has been used on the softball and baseball fields; it is really nice and should last a long time.

Superintendent Jones reported. Board Meeting dates were mentioned. Projects have been discussed in Building & Grounds meetings- that info is in the packet. We will be moving forward with Keach [Architectural] as the architects on the summer projects, assuming approval of tonight's plan. Mr. Jones provided some details on the project(s)- operational changes make sense. The bonds were issued to cover these [capital] project improvements; Mr. Jones mentioned how nice everything will look at BGS. The items highlighted in yellow (in the plan)- we do not have quotes for these items yet. Other improvements were mentioned such as the logo on the gym floor and bleachers. The salaries for non-certified staff was mentioned- the increase not only keeps us in compliance with the state mandate, but it also keeps us competitive. The windows for the Jr. High are expected to arrive at the Kelly Glass facility next week (during spring break). We have had discussions regarding the sharing of athletic trainer services with Elmwood- we will not be doing this as it is too big an ask due to cost.

Mrs. Steele reported on the High School. We are holding steady on attendance- this is still an improvement from last year. Testing is finished- attendance has been great throughout! Mrs. Steele explained why we are holding on to incoming Freshman schedules. Senior signing day is May 1st- we currently have 8 committed with possibly 2 more. Lastly, Mrs. Steele explained a couple of new things the students have an opportunity to partake in- painting ceiling tiles and parking spaces.

Mrs. Albritton reported on the Grade School. The Board was updated on attendance, the K-4 ELA curriculum (planning on presenting a curriculum at next month's meeting), and shared the 5Essentials survey results. Thank you Grade School PTO- the carnival at the Grade School had a great turnout! The IAR assessments are finished and we are finishing up the science assessment(s). Thank you, Mrs. Gibbs, for everything that went into the K-4 concert! The 5-8 concert is May 1 and the Book Fair is approaching! Some upcoming events were shared. The 8th grade graduation is moving to the BHS gym this year; the BOE was invited.

Butterfield motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the FY25 BOE Meeting Dates as Presented.

Motion carried

There was new business to discuss/approve.

Snyder motioned and Monk seconded to Approve the Summer 2024 Facility Capital Project Plan as Presented. Roll Call: Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Kappes - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Blodgett motioned and Butterfield seconded to Approve the FY25 Non-Certified Salaries as Presented. Roll Call: Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - abstain, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Kappes motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the 8th Grade Field Trip to the St. Louis Zoo. Motion carried

Monk motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve the Senior Class Trip to Six Flags St. Louis. Motion carried

There were personnel matters to address/approve.

Snyder motioned and Butterfield seconded to Approve the Resignation of Lisa Dawson - BGS Paraprofessional. Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the Resignation of Kevin Faulkner - BGS Jr. High Science & Technology Teacher effective June 30, 2024. Motion carried

Monk motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve the Consent Calendar items. Roll Call: Snyder - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 7:28 pm, Snyder motioned and Monk seconded to exit Open session and Enter Executive Session to discuss: *matter relating to individual students under exemption (c)(10) of the Open Meetings Act*. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:54 pm.

Snyder motioned and Kappes seconded to Affirm the Decision of the Superintendent in relation to the Appeal of the Uniform Grievance filed by the parents of students having student ID numbers S90191 and S90190. Roll Call: Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 7:55 p.m., Snyder motioned and Blodgett seconded to adjourn the April 10, 2024 Regular Board Meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education. Motion carried



Board President



Board Secretary