

August 9, 2023

The Brimfield Board of Education held its Regular meeting on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the High School Library. Board President Updyke called the meeting to order with the following members present: Snyder, Bell, Monk, Blodgett, and Butterfield.

The Board welcomed visitors Marilyn Eberle and Lori Johnson..

Updyke welcomed comments from the community members.

- Marilyn Eberle inquired about additional laptop holders. High School Principal Mrs. Steele believes there are a few extra and will look into it. Marilyn also requested that, with the ELA curriculum, there be better explanation to the parents about what materials need to be sent home.

Snyder motioned and Monk seconded to approve the minutes from:

- July 12, 2023 Negotiations Meeting & Closed Session
- July 19, 2023 Regular Meeting & Closed/Executive Session

Motion carried

Board President Updyke reported. He likes the look of the school- maintenance/custodial did a good job! [Purdue Pavement Solutions] did a nice job on the parking lots!

Superintendent Jones reported. The Board was briefed on details from the recent Peoria County Safety meeting; details will be shared with staff next week. Mr. Jones provided updates on Building & Grounds. The Grade School Secretary's office is coming along- it is almost complete. There is a 10-year life safety survey coming soon from the Grade School. The Board was provided details from Mr. Jones's recent meeting with the Boosters. Mr. Jones elaborated on the SuperEval , the Consolidated District Plan, and the Handbooks. He is excited for the beginning of school!

Mrs. Steele reported on the High School. Registration day went well. The Counselor, Ms. Ross, was thanked for help with scheduling. She mentioned that we have to hold firm, our Aug 22, 2023 deadline for class changes. The Board was briefed on topics being discussed in class meetings. There was a preview on what a cell phone holder looks like and Mrs. Steele mentioned why they are needed. The Board was briefed on the professional development topics that will be discussed throughout the school year. There will be training on the camera system; she has some background knowledge on the system and is excited to start using it. There was a meeting with Elmwood personnel to go over the coaches' handbook; there were some minor changes. There was a brief discussion regarding a camera facing the ball field; Mrs. Steele mentioned that there is a camera that faces that currently faces that direction.

Mrs. Albritton reported on the Grade School. She provided details on current enrollment numbers and other registration information. The K-4 ELA Committee will be meeting to discuss goals; the Committee hopes to have a curriculum available to present to the Board in April. The Board was briefed on professional development over the summer and important upcoming dates. She shared the state of fall sports; she mentioned that we will be the host of the 7th grade 2A Volleyball state finals through the

2025-2026 season! She told Marilyn that each Teacher will be in communication about what comes home.

There was new business to discuss/approve.

Snyder motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve the BGS Handbook as presented/modified.  
Motion carried

Monk motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the BHS Handbook as presented/modified.  
Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the Coaches' Handbook as presented/modified.  
Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Bell seconded to Approve the BHS Concrete Repair bid from Hoerr Masonry as presented. Roll Call: Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Monk motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve the FY24 Tentative Budget and set Hearing for September 20, 2023. Roll Call: Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Blodgett motioned and Monk seconded to Approve Increasing the Substitute Teacher pay to \$150/day. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Blodgett motioned and Bell seconded to Approve the Consolidated District Plan. Superintendent Jones mentioned that this plan is extensive but needs to be approved before other grants can be applied for; this approval is a formality. Mrs. Albritton added that this is a plan as to where the grant funding will be applied. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

There were personnel matters to address/approve.

Snyder motioned and Monk seconded to Accept the Resignation of Brandon Porter - BHS & BGS Baseball Coach.  
Motion carried

Monk motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve Tyler Baysingar - BHS 2nd Assistant Baseball Coach. Roll Call: Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve Austin Sims - BHS 2nd Assistant Baseball Coach. Roll Call: Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Monk motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve Jason Snyder - BGS & BHS Volunteer Golf Coach. Roll Call: Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - abstain, Updyke - yes.  
Motion carried

Snyder motioned and Monk seconded to Approve Carrie Peek - BGS Cafeteria Worker. Roll Call: Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

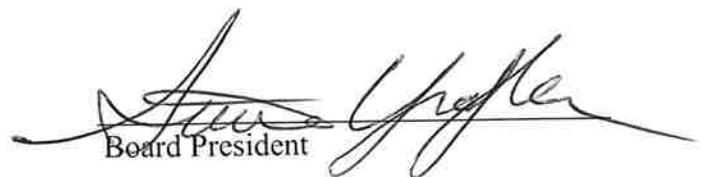
Butterfield motioned and Bell seconded to Approve the Consent Calendar items. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

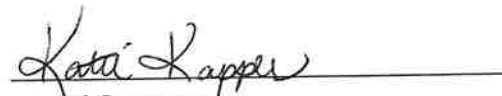
At 7:33 p.m., Blodgett motioned and Snyder seconded to enter closed/executive session to discuss *The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).* Updyke mentioned that there would be no action afterwards. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 8:23 p.m., the Board returned from the closed/executive session; there was an additional personnel matter to discuss/approve.

Bell motioned and Snyder seconded to grant Superintendent permission to hire a District Treasurer. Roll Call: Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Snyder - yes, Blodgett - yes, Monk - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 8:24 p.m., Blodgett motioned and Monk seconded to adjourn the August 9, 2023 Regular board meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education. Motion carried

  
Board President

  
Board Secretary