February 17, 2016

The Brimfield Board of Education held its regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Brimfield High School Library. Heinz called the meeting to order with the following members present: Dura, Johnson, Harmon, Bauer, Hoerr, and Moon.

The following visitors were present: Bill Knight, Tom Leahy, Dr John Asplund, Steve Thurman, Joe and Joan Kelch.

Mr. Leahy, representative from IASB, spoke regarding their executive searches. He passed out information which included; the services provided, timeline, and cost. They also will provide an interim, if necessary, at no cost whether their services are purchased, or not.

Dr. Asplund addressed the board regarding his services for a Superintendent/Principal search. He explained that his service only encompasses a 12 county area, whereas the IASB is nationwide. He also provided a timeline and the cost associated with the service.

Hoerr moved and Bauer seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 20, 2016, and the special meeting minutes of January 27th and February 8th. Motion carried

Mr. Blessman reported on his board report (on file in the unit office). He stated that Brad Novak received an acceptance letter from Representative LaHood excepting him into the Naval Academy. He also reported on the proposal for the installation of a new heating and cooling system for the grade school from Standard Heating and Cooling. He indicated that there is the possibility of additional costs not included in this proposal i.e.; architects, tying this into the fire alarm system could cause code updates, and asbestos.

Mrs. Blane reported on her board report (on file in the unit office).

Moon moved and Johnson seconded to approve the tentative calendar for 2016-17 as presented.

Motion carried

Harmon moved and Dura seconded to review the closed session minutes for confidentiality and remain closed. Motion carried

Harmon moved and Moon seconded to approve the consent calendar items presented, which included the following items: bills for payment for the month of February, Position and Treasurer’s report for the month of January, grade school and high school activity reports for the month of January. Roll call vote: Dura – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer –yes, Hoerr – yes, Moon – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

At 8:02 p.m. Bauer moved and Hoerr seconded to go into closed session. Roll call vote: Moon – yes, Dura – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer – yes, Hoerr – yes, Heinz – yes.

Motion carried

At 9:43 p.m. Harmon moved and Johnson seconded to leave closed session and enter into open session. Motion carried

Johnson moved and Harmon seconded to hire a consulting firm for the Superintendent/Principal search. Roll call vote: Dura – no, Johnson – yes, Harmon – no, Bauer – yes, Hoerr – no, Moon – no, Heinz – no. Motion failed

Johnson moved and Moon seconded to except the resignation, with gratitude for time serviced of Joe Blessman, Superintendent/High School and Melissa Short, cafeteria supervision.

Motion carried

Dura moved and Harmon seconded to approve Jennifer Loer, cafeteria supervision. Roll call vote: Hoerr – yes, Moon – yes, Dura – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

At 9:49 p.m. Moon moved and Dura seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

Dan Heinz, President

John Moon, Secretary