March 16, 2016

The Brimfield Board of Education held its regular meeting on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Heinz called the meeting to order with the following members present: Johnson, Harmon, Bauer, Hoerr, Moon. Dura was absent.

The following visitors were present: Erin Grider, Megan Brosman, Melissa McCauley, Betsy Tilly, Erin Miller, Jody Eller, Lela Scott, Troy Tilly, Grant McCreight, Jason Sunderland, Brandon Porter, Steve Thurman, Angie Sneeringer, Terry Bibo and Dave Pistorius from First Midstate.

Dave Pistorius addressed the board regarding the issuance of working cash bonds. The school went through this process 3 years ago, which has expired. With Senate Bill 318, and the threat of a state property tax freeze, the board may want to look at going through the process again to have the availability of working cash. The board has until the end of 2016 to make a decision.

Harmon moved and Bauer seconded to approve the regular and closed session minutes of February 17, 2016, the special meeting closed session of February 25, 2016, and the special meeting minutes of February 29, 2016. Motion carried

Mr. Blessman reported on his board report (on file in the unit office).

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

Johnson moved and Moon seconded to approve the final calendar of 2016-2017. Motion carried

Harmon moved and Johnson seconded to approve the renewal for the 2016-2017 membership fees of the IHSA and IESA. Motion carried

Hoerr moved and Bauer seconded to approve the job descriptions of the cafeteria manager, head cook, and cafeteria worker making the following changes: Cafeteria Manager – evaluation of this job will be evaluated on an annual basis by the Superintendent. Head Cook – evaluation of the job will be evaluated on an annual basis by the Cafeteria Manager. Motion carried

Moon moved and Johnson seconded to approve the out of state field trip for band to St. Louis, Missouri Motion carried

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

Harmon moved and Moon seconded to approve the resignations of Jaden Maher, grade school cheer coach and Penny Zimmerman, cafeteria worker with appreciation for time served.

Motion carried

At 7:38 p.m. Johnson moved and Bauer seconded to leave open session and enter into closed session. Roll call vote: Moon – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer – yes, Hoerr – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

At 8:16 p.m. Harmon moved and Johnson seconded to leave closed session and enter back into open session. Motion carried

Bauer moved and Johnson seconded to approve the certified list for 2016-2017 as presented, including tenure for Katherine Gorham and Ed Weaver. Roll call vote: Hoerr – yes, Moon – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

Harmon moved and Bauer seconded to approve the resolution for the non-renewal of Erin Grider, grade school teacher. Roll call vote: Bauer – yes, Hoerr – yes, Moon – yes, Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

At 8:25 p.m. Johnson moved and Bauer seconded to leave open session and enter into closed session. Roll call vote: Johnson – yes, Harmon – yes, Bauer – yes, Hoerr – yes, Moon – yes, Heinz – yes. Motion carried

At 10:02 p.m. Bauer moved and Harmon seconded to leave closed session and enter into open session. At this time Johnson moved and Hoerr seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

Dan Heinz, President

John Moon, Secretary