

March 20, 2019

The Brimfield Board of Education held its regular meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Board Vice President Thompson called the meeting to order with the following members present: Hoerr, Kenney, Updyke, and Graham.

There were about 6 community members present: Terry Towery, Buffie Stewart, Jerry Stewart, Sarah Bohanan, Amy Herron, and Dave Hicke.

Kenney moved and Hoerr seconded to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2019 Closed & Regular Sessions, February 27, 2019 Special & Closed Sessions, March 5, 2019 Building and Grounds Committee, and March 11, 2019 Policy Committee. Motion carried

Superintendent Richardson reported on his board report. He highlighted the County Facility Sales Tax amount of \$21,684.94. He thanked those that came out to support Whitney's walk and how much the event has raised in 12 years! Work on the HVAC system (at the Grade School) started earlier this week.

Mr. Juchems reported on his Grade School Report. He praised the chess team and volleyball teams for their efforts during the season. Both were successful and chess ranked 8 out of 48 teams! Mr. Juchems also praised Wyatt Howe for his participation in wheelchair basketball! He highlighted a change to testing times this year.

Mr. Shinall reported on his High School Report. He praised the students who volunteered with helping students with special needs enjoy the March madness experience.

Superintendent Richardson elaborated on the School Calendar. There were three options, with option #2, in this packet, being approved by 68% of the certified staff.

Updyke moved and Johnson seconded to approve the 2019-20 Public School Calendar. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Updyke moved and Johnson seconded to approve the IHSA membership. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Superintendent Richardson elaborated on the IHSA Co-op. The state chose to place all co-ops on the same rotation. We had the choice to be cut off or extend through the 2021 season.

Kenney moved and Updyke seconded to approve the Baseball and Softball Co-op through the 2020-21 School Year. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Kenney elaborated on the donation of the JFL scoreboard. The old one does not work at all, so it has been decided to use JFL funds to purchase the scoreboard. These are not District funds.

Hoerr moved and Johnson seconded to approve the JFL-donated scoreboard for the football field. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-abstain, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

There was a discussion on the transfer of District property to the Village of Brimfield. Superintendent Richardson assured the Board that there would be no interference with sports or future District plans with the property. The Village simply needs more space to build a more adequate purification system.

Kenney moved and Updyke seconded to approve the resolution to transfer a portion of property to the Village of Brimfield. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Superintendent Richardson informed the Board that the amended 212.1 Policy eliminates “High School” verbage so as to allow for the policy to be in place for the District.

Hoerr moved and Updyke seconded to waive 1st reading and approve an amendment to Board Policy 212.1. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Superintendent Richardson also informed the Board that there was no criteria in place for volunteer coaches. The District needed a District Policy on this.

Updyke moved and Kenney seconded to approve the 1st reading of Board Policy 504.0 Extra-curricular Volunteer Coaches. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-abstain, Graham - yes, Updyke - abstain, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Updyke moved and Johnson seconded to approve the consent calendar items. Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

At 7:25pm, Updyke moved and Graham seconded to leave open session and enter closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee *Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120, being Sec. 2 (c)* Roll Call: Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Hoerr - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Regular Session resumed at 8:23pm.

Updyke moved and Hoerr seconded to approve the resignation of Melissa Neill, Grade School Special Education and Betsy Tilly, Jr. High Volleyball Coach. Roll Call: Hoerr-yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Kenney moved and Hoerr seconded to approve the employment of Kelsey Messineo, Assistant Softball Coach, Certified Employees (as presented in packet), and Volunteer Coaches (as presented in packet). Roll Call: Hoerr- yes, Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Vice President Thompson welcomed comments from the community members.

Jerry Stewart inquired about the parking lot and why it is not being utilized by the Grade School Staff. Thompson urged that a recommendation be made. Also of concern, is student drop-off. It is just not working.

At 8:30 p.m. Hoerr moved and Johnson seconded to adjourn the March 20, 2019 regular board meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education. Motion carried

Board President

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