

July 18, 2018

The Brimfield Board of Education held its regular meeting on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Thompson called the meeting to order with the following members present: Kenney, Updyke, Johnson, and Graham.

The board recognized approximately twelve community members.

Kenney moved and Graham seconded to approve the June 08, 2018 Public Relations Committee, June 20, 2018 regular and closed session, June 26, 2018 Building & Grounds Committee, and July 9 Workload & Caseload Committee. Motion carried

Vice President Thompson elaborated on the Building & Grounds Meeting that took place on June 26. There was a discussion with Keach on how to make the Grade School entrance more secure. The Boosters want to donate money towards a new baseball field as there are safety concerns with the current field.

Mr. Richardson reported on his board report. He highlighted the accumulated sales tax revenue of over \$180,000. He also mentioned that there was a discussion with H&H Industries regarding the replacement of the current exterior lights with LEDs. This could be done with the Ameren Efficiency Grant. Lastly, he reminded the Board of the joint conference in Chicago in November.

Mr. Shinall reported on the High School Principal Report.

Mr. Juchems reported on his Grade School Principal report.

Thompson moved and Johnson seconded to approve Consent Calendar items. Roll Call: Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham - yes, Updyke - yes, Thompson - yes. Motion carried

Updyke moved and Johnson seconded to approve:

- Julie Edwards – High School Secretary (Departmental Transfer)
- Danette Jackson – 1:1 Aide (GS) pending proper certification (departmental transfer)
- Ashley Cornelison – 1:1 Aide (GS) pending proper certification (departmental transfer)
- Tara Binder – Bright Futures T/A (GS)
- Open search for District Secretary / Asst. Bookkeeper

Roll Call: Kenney-yes, Johnson-yes, Graham-yes, Updyke-yes, Thompson-yes. Motion carried

Vice President Thompson welcomed comments from the community members.

-Dan Kelch offered to purchase additional fans for the Grade School; he does not think the Board understands how hot it gets there. He also inquired about the request he submitted to Superintendent Richardson about 3 months ago. Is there any progress? Superintendent Richardson responded that there is; the maintenance guy has many things he is working on. Dan Kelch and other community members want someone to be accountable for the maintenance issues.

-There was an inquiry into the status of the former student not being able to partake in the graduation ceremony. Steve Thurman reminded the board that everyone on the list (that was presented in May's Board Meeting) should have been able to partake. He mentioned that, and the Board and Mr. Richardson agreed, further analysis will be conducted on each student prior to the creation of the graduate list in the future.

-It was suggested that additional vocational classes need to be implemented. Johnson agreed, but mentioned that this is not just a local issue.

-It was mentioned that Administration should not only show up to sports games, but also other extracurricular events; these events are just as important.

-Phil Molleck mentioned that, moving forward, the election process needs to be fairer. We cannot all be friends. There needs to be differences in opinions, otherwise we cannot improve or move forward. He also suggested new leadership.

At 8:10 p.m. Updyke moved and Johnson seconded to adjourn the July 18, 2018 regular board meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education. Motion carried

Board President

Board Secretary