

APPROVED

**Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, March 11, 2021
Virtually via Zoom**

ORIGINAL

Members Present: A. Casale, D. Galipeau, A. Grab, K. Shufon and L. Wertz

Absent: T. Fanfa, D. Roadcap and J. Roddy

Also in Attendance: Dr. Angelina Maloney, Stephanie Steinhart, Assistant Superintendent for Business/District Clerk and Maria Lewis, Board Secretary

1. AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 6:30 p.m. - Ms. Steinhart updated the committee on the status of the 2021-2022 budget development process.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Vice President Wertz called the meeting to order with a salute to the flag at 7:00 p.m.

3. PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 - 2022 Budget Presentation - Stephanie Steinhart

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: 4.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Mr. Shufon

The Board of Education hereby approves the following Minutes:

- February 11, 2021 Regular Meeting
- March 1, 2021 Special Meeting

5 Yes/Motion Carried

5. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

- Wishing Senior Tyler Filarecki the best of luck tonight as he goes for his 100th win in Wrestling
- Working on a plan to assist disengaged and struggling students effected by the pandemic
- Regents waiver request denied
- Contacted by member of the public, Brunswick sportsman, regarding the possibility of adding a shooting club or introducing shooting as a sport. Berlin, Hoosick Falls and Cambridge already have it.
- Winter sports have gone well so far. The student-athletes are very appreciative. Very busy planning Fall 2 sports.

5.2 Update from Building Administrators

5.3 Resumption of High Risk Sports Plan

6. BOARD DISCUSSION/REPORTS

Information: 6.1 Committee and Liaison Updates

Board Committee Updates

Audit/Finance - Mr. Grab and Ms. Fanfa

Facilities - Mr. Casale, Mr. Galipeau and Ms. Roadcap

Policy - Ms. Wertz and Mr. Shufon

Liaison Updates

Athletic - Mr. Galipeau and Ms. Roadcap

Brittonkill Educational Foundation - TBD

CAPSBA - Ms. Wertz

Curriculum & Assessment - Ms. Wertz

PTSA - Mr. Shufon reminded the board and the public that the PTSA will be holding a Giffy's Barbecue on May 18, 2021 and that they are working on recognizing the graduating class

Wellness - Ms. Fanfa

Student - TBD

Discussion: 6.2 Change Start Time of Board Meetings - all members present agreed with a start time of 6 pm for board meetings beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. The board secretary will reach out to the other three members for their input.

7. SPECIAL ACTIONS

Action: 7.1 2021- 2022 School Calendar

1 - Mr. Shufon 2 - Mr. Grab

The Board of Education accepts and approves the 2021 - 2022 school calendar as presented.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

Action: 7.2 District-wide School Safety Plan - REVISED

1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Mr. Shufon

The Board of Education approves the revised District-wide School Safety Plan to include the Public Health Emergency – Continuation of Operations Plan.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

Action: 7.3 Sports Merger - Girls' Swimming

1 - Mr. Casale 2 - Mr. Shufon

The Board of Education approves a request from the Superintendent of Schools to allow Brunswick CSD to merge, under Section 2 Athletics, with Troy City School District and Averill Park Central School District in order to form a Girls' Swimming team for the 2021 - 2022 school year. This merger has been approved by both Averill Park CSD and Troy CSD. The Suburban Council and the Wasaren League have granted permission for this merger. The Board also authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign the merger agreement on behalf of the district.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

Action: 7.4 Sports Merger - Cheer

1 - Mr. Shufon 2 - Mr. Galipeau

The Board of Education approves an application request from the Superintendent of Schools to allow Brunswick CSD/Tamarac HS to merge, under Section 2 Athletics, with Hoosick Falls CSD/Hoosick Falls HS in order to form a Cheer team for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Riley Hayner, student, asked why mask rules varied between Soccer clubs and school athletics. The Superintendent responded that Brittonkill is required to follow Section 2 and NYS Education Department rules.
- Jennifer Wilson, student, asked about practicals for the Questar III CNA program.
- Laura Rickard asked for clarification on the reduction to the Speech & Language Pathologist position
- Kaitlyn Bechand, student, asked if Tamarac Idol would be able to held

9. POLICY

Action: 9.1 1st Reading of New Policy

1 - Mr. Shufon 2 - Mr. Galipeau

The Board of Education approves the first reading of policy #0101, Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

10. CURRICULUM

Action: 10.1 New Course Request - Documentary Filmmaking - Jeffrey Bush

1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Mr. Shufon

The Board of Education approves, upon a recommendation from the District Curriculum and Assessment Council, a proposal request from Jeffrey Bush and Michelle Furlong for the creation of a new course, Documentary Filmmaking, to begin with the 2021 - 2022 school year. Curriculum will be developed by the course instructors and require approximately 30 hours each for a total of \$1,800 for curriculum writing costs. An estimated \$500 shall be required for such ancillary items as memory cards, batteries, reflector boards, cables, etc.

5 Yes/Motion Carried

11. SPECIAL EDUCATION

Action: 11.1 Student Placement Recommendations - Section 504 and Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education

1 - Mr. Grab 2 - Mr. Casale

The Board of Education accepts the following recommendations of the Section 504 Committee and Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education dated 2/9/2021, 2/10/2021, 2/22/2021, 2/23/2021, 2/24/2021, 2/25/2021, 2/26/2021, 3/1/2021, 3/2/2021 and 3/4/2021:

- 1067
- 950
- 675
- 809
- 622
- 3013
- 789
- 567
- 943
- 738
- 638
- 1153
- 858
- 995
- 759
- 760

- 939
- 1114
- 1184
- 1182
- 721
- 761
- 1186
- 1050
- 835
- 816
- 1192
- 1031
- 1187
- 1027
- 614
- 991
- 720
- 875
- 455
- 1189
- 586
- 3280031
- 680
- 1086
- 968

5 Yes/Motion Carried

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - PERSONNEL

BY CONSENT
1 - Mr. Casale/2 - Mr. Galipeau

Action: 12.1 Mentor - Annual Appointment - Jeff Calistri

The Board of Education approves, upon the recommendation of the Mentor Committee, the appointment of Jeff Calistri as Mentor for Christopher Price with a stipend per the current BTA contract, prorated for the remainder of the 2020 - 2021 school year.

Action: 12.2 Leave of Absence - Child Rearing - Kristina Koonz

The Board of Education approves a leave of absence, for the purpose of child rearing, for Kristina Koonz effective beginning on or around June 1, 2021.

Action: 12.3 2020 - 2021 Coaching Appointments

The Board of Education approves the appointment of the following individuals as Coach with the Brunswick Central School District, contingent upon Part 87 Commissioner of Education Regulations on fingerprinting clearance requirements. (Volunteers will be subject to a criminal background check.) Salary, if a paid position, per the current BTA contract. These appointments are also contingent upon the season being approved and proceeding as planned.

| Sport | Name | Position |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Girls Soccer | Katherine Champagne | Volunteer Assistant |
| | Nick Gross | Volunteer Assistant |
| Boys Soccer | Cody Sargood | Volunteer Assistant |
| Cross Country | Carl Seils | Volunteer Assistant |
| Football | Brendan Ryan | Assistant JV Coach |

Action: 12.4 Substitute Appointments

The Board of Education approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of the following individual(s) as Substitute(s) in the area(s) indicated with the Brunswick Central School District, contingent upon Part 87 of the Commissioner of Education Regulations on fingerprint clearance requirements (volunteers will be subject to a background check), effective March 15, 2021 (unless otherwise noted).

| Name | Position |
|-------------|--|
| Brian Smith | Certified Substitute Teacher @ \$115 per day |

END OF CONSENT
5 Yes/Motions Carried

13. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - BUSINESS/FINANCE

BY CONSENT
1 - Mr. Casale/2 - Mr. Galipeau

Action: 13.1 Refund of Taxes Paid

The Board of Education does hereby authorize the refund in taxes in the amount of \$43,998.02 as required by the settlement with Highland Creek Realty Group LLC. This payment constitutes the refund of 2019-20 and 2020-21 school taxes paid by Highland Creek

Realty Group LLC. It is also recommended that the 2020-21 general fund budget be amended by \$43,998.02 to cover this cost as follows:

- A 511 Appropriated Reserves – Tax Certiorari Reserve \$43,998.02
- A 960 Appropriations (Refund of Real Property Taxes A1964.400-40-920) \$43,998.02

Action: 13.2 Sale of School Buses

The Board of Education approves a request from the Assistant Superintendent of Business to list school buses #114 & #116 for sale with Auctions International, an auction house in Erie County, New York.

Action: 13.3 Financial Reports

The Board of Education accepts and approves the following financial reports:

- Internal Claims Auditor Report - February 2021
- Extra Classroom Activity Report - February 2021
- Budget Transfer Report - February 2021
- Revenue Budget Status Report - February 2021
- District Treasurer's Report - February 2021

Action: 13.4 2021 - 2022 Non-Resident Tuition Rates

The Board of Education approves the following tuition rates for non-resident students for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

| 2020 - 2021 | 2021 - 2022 |
|-----------------|---------------|
| K-6: \$6,979 | K-6: \$7,068 |
| 7 - 12: \$8,435 | 7-12: \$8,073 |

Action: 13.5 Book Disposal Request

The Board of Education authorizes the disposal of the books on the attached list.

END OF CONSENT
5 Yes/Motions Carried

14. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1 - Mr. Casale 2 - Mr. Grab

The Board of Education entered into Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivisions E&F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of Council No.239, Paragraph B to discuss the following checked item(s):

- Proposed, pending or current litigation;
- Collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;
- The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;
- X Matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
- The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;
- Other:

5 Yes/Motion Carried

15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

1 - Mr. Galipeau 2 - Mr. Shufon

The Board of Education adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

5 Yes Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELINA MALONEY, SUPERINTENDENT

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MARIA LEWIS, BOARD SECRETARY

Maria E. Lewis