

The Board of Education

Town of Brooklyn
119 Gorman Road
Brooklyn, CT 06234

Mae Lyons, Board Chair
Keith Atchinson, Secretary
Tana Jolley

Melissa Perkins-Banas, Vice-Chair
Justin Phaiah
Carolyn Hackbarth

Mission: The Brooklyn Schools will foster a drive for learning within each student to reach his/her greatest potential. To achieve this mission, the school will continually improve its educational programs and services to meet this community's expectations for a quality education for all.

The Brooklyn Board of Education held their monthly meeting virtually on July 22, 2020 via Zoom. In attendance were Mrs. Lyons, Dr. Perkins-Banas, Mr. Atchinson, Mr. Phaiah, Mrs. Jolley, and Mrs. Hackbarth. Mrs. Buell, Superintendent, Jeff Otto, Board of Finance, were also present. Members of the teaching staff and public were also in attendance.

1. Attendance, Establishment of a Quorum, Call to Order

Quorum established. Mrs. Lyons called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Public Comment

Questions and comments can be made on Facebook Live or call 860-774-9732 X1.

No comments or questions on Facebook Live.

3. Approval of minutes

a. June 24, 2020 BOE Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2020
(Perkins-Banas/Phaiah)
No Discussion, unanimous vote to approve.

4. Correspondence and Communication

a. Accreditation Maintained

Mrs. Buell stated that the Brooklyn Early Childhood Program's accreditation has been maintained from NAEYC Academy for Early Childhood Program

Accreditation. She stated that the preschool teachers and kindergarten teacher are working hard to maintain the high quality early childhood program.

5. Administrative Reports

a. Brooklyn BOE Expenditure Report

Mrs. Buell stated that she didn't have an updated expenditure report due to it being three weeks into the new budget year. The current report from June, they are still closing the 2019-2020 school year expenditures and are still processing bills that are coming in. They do expect to end the year with \$230,000 in excess. She continued stating that they returned \$200,000 to the Town reserve out of transportation costs and the extra \$30,000 is from tuition costs that we charge out.

b. Thank you to volunteers who are assisting in the schools

Mrs. Buell stated that she wanted to thank the volunteers that have come in to assist with returning books to the shelves in the libraries,

The Board of Education meeting was disrupted and Mrs. Buell had to end the meeting. Due to technical difficulties afterwards, Mrs Buell and the Board of Education rescheduled the meeting to continue next Wednesday, July, 29, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DiBenedetto

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Board Clerk