

The Board of Education

Town of Brooklyn
119 Gorman Road
Brooklyn, CT 06234

Aimee Genna, Chair
Kelly Coddling, Vice Chair
Keith Atchinson, Secretary

Eric Anderson
Mae Lyons
Joan Trivella

October 25, 2017

The Brooklyn Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on October 25, 2017 in the Central Office Community Room. In attendance were: Mrs. Genna, Mrs. Coddling, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Trivella, Mrs. Buell, Superintendent, Mrs. Michaud, Elementary School Principal, and Mr. Weaver, Elementary School Assistant Principal. Mr. Otto, Board of Finance, was also in attendance. Members of the teaching staff and public were in the audience.

Absent: Mr. Atchinson
Mr. Anderson

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

Mrs. Genna called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comments

None

4. Approval of Minutes

a. September 27, 2017 Regular BOE Meeting

Mr. Atchinson was absent-excused from the meeting

6c - change *was* to *were*

7b - capitalize *Weaver*

Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 27, 2017
as amended

(Trivella / Coddling)

Unanimous vote to approve

b. October 4, 2017 Special Meeting

Mr. Richards is a Brooklyn Board of Education member elect. His name should be kept separate from the other members' names.

Motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2017 as amended

(Trivella / Coddling)

Unanimous vote to approve

5. Correspondence and Communication

None

6. Brooklyn's Best

a. BES/BMS Highlights

Mrs. Buell informed the Board of Education members of some of the events which are currently going on, as well as upcoming events at both the elementary and middle school buildings. She also highlighted some student achievements.

7. Administrative Reports:

a. Presentation of Standards based report cards by Mrs. Michaud & Mr. Weaver

Mrs. Michaud and Mr. Weaver gave an overview of the new standards based report card, which will be utilized this school year. They explained the report card is a living document, which they continue to revise and refine as necessary. There will be an informational meeting for parents on November 9, 2017.

8. Board of Education Committee Reports

Mrs. Genna stated that the Negotiations Committee had a meeting.

9. Board Representatives to Other Committees

Mrs. Lyons stated that the roof project should be completed by the end of November.

Mrs. Trivella informed that Woodstock Academy had its grand opening of the Hyde campus. Woodstock Academy also has an app in which parents and students can view grades, assignments, attendance, etc.

Mrs. Trivella informed that EastConn has their first meeting last night. There was a video and a discussion concerning mental health in adulthood.

Mrs. Genna stated that the Board of Finance met last week, and there is no budget at this time. The new Finance Director starts November 1, 2017.

Mrs. Trivella stated that she attended a CABA meeting.

10. Old Business

a. Transportation update

Mrs. Buell met with the regional manager of M&J Bus Company and has another meeting scheduled for Friday to discuss bus routes and possible ways to make them more efficient.

11. New Business

a. Enrollment Report

Mrs. Buell reviewed the Enrollment Report. Enrollment remains consistent.

b. Budget Update

Mrs. Buell reviewed the current budget status.

12. Other

None

13. Public Comments

Mr. Kerouac suggested asking Norwich Free Academy for one more year of transportation, so the students who started at NFA when the transportation deal began will be of age to drive when the transportation ends.

14. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:42 pm
(Coddington / Trivella)
Unanimous vote to approve

Respectfully submitted
Joann M. Engel
Recording Secretary