

BARKHAMSTED BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 5, 2017

MINUTES

- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** S. Nanni, J. Prelli-Hester, B. McQueen,
T. Brodnitzki, K. Rascati, D. Beaudoin
- BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** R. Brainard
- ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:** J. Linton, Superintendent
K. Plocki, Principal
- OTHERS PRESENT:** M. Kaszas, Student Award Winner
P. Kaszas, Parent
P. Welles, Parent
J. Kaszas, Student
M. Lavieri-Hislop, Teacher and BEA representative
V. Bowler, Teacher
A. Brandt, Teacher

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Chair, S. Nanni.

One of our teachers, A. Brandt, was recognized by the Administration and Board of Education members for obtaining the status of tenured as of June 30th this year.

J. Linton introduced M. Kaszas as the recipient of the Carmella Lattizori Reading Award for 2016-17. The Board of Education congratulated her and wished her well in all her future endeavors.

The Board agreed to a motion to approve and/or adopt the items listed under the consent agenda.

MOTION by D. Beaudoin, **seconded** by T. Brodnitzki, “to approve the following items on the consent agenda as follows:”

- **VI.A.** – Approval of Minutes of the Special meetings of April 5, 2017 and May 1, 2017, as presented.
- **IX.A.** – Authorize Superintendent Jeffrey Linton to sign the Addendum to ED-099 (Agreement for Child Nutrition Program) (Section 2-Certification Statement) certifying that the food items offered for sale to Students in the Barkhamsted School District, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will meet said standards during the period of July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 and (Section 3-Exemption Statement) will exclude from certification food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards, provided that (1) such food is sold in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend, (2) such sale is at the location of the event, and (3) such food is not sold from a vending machine or school store. The Board also authorizes an exemption for beverage sales and the authorization exemption applies to all beverages sold at all eligible events.
- **IX.B.** – Authorize the Barkhamsted Board of Education to enter into a contract with the CT State Department of Education to participate in one or more of the child nutrition programs and that Jeffrey N. Linton, Superintendent, be authorized to sign such contracts for claims for reimbursement, and that in his absence or incapacity, Kristen K. Plocki, Principal, be authorized to sign claims for reimbursement.

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- **IX.C.** – Authorize the increase of the student lunch price to \$2.85 for the 2017-2018 school year, as required by the USDA's National School Lunch Program Policy.” **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

K. Plocki reviewed her Principal's report for the month of May with the Board members, which included the following: Focus on Stress Management by the Wellness Committee for the month of May, as well as initiating Monday a.m. walks to promote the 5K race, and Summer Safety for the month of June; SBAC testing completed and the Science testing piloted by Grade 5; Spring Concerts and Art Show; Fundraising efforts by Kindness Club and Grade 3; update on Senior Breakfast which included student lead tours and presentations; Student Council Spirit day; and the upcoming events for the end of the year – Grade 6 promotion, End-of-year Assembly on June 21st, last day of school for students on June 22nd (1 P.M. dismissal), and Math PD for staff on June 23rd and 26th.

J. Linton passed out the final draft of the Committee Assignments for the BOE members.

J. Linton reviewed the Bills Paid and Budget Expended reports for April and May, 2017 with the Board. He also reviewed the potential surplus for special education costs for 2016-17 that will be returned to the Town.

The Board of Education meeting schedule for 2017-18 was presented and discussed. **MOTION** by K. Rascati, **seconded** by B. McQueen, “to approve the BOE meeting schedule for 2017-18, as presented.” **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The job description for the new Curriculum Coordinator position was shared and discussed with the BOE members.

The evaluation instrument for the Superintendent was handed out to BOE members by S. Nanni and should be returned to her by August 1st.

MOTION by T. Brodnitzki, **seconded** by K. Rascati, “to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's Contract for 2017-18 and for the raises for the non-certified non-union staff, administration and school nurse”, at 7:30 P.M. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

MOTION by B. McQueen, **seconded** by T. Brodnitzki “to exit executive session” at 7:40 P.M. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The Board agreed to have S. Nanni sign a new contract with the Superintendent for the 2017-2018 school year.

MOTION by B. McQueen, **seconded** by T. Brodnitzki, “to approve a 3% increase for the Superintendent, Principal, School Nurse, Administrative Assistants to Principal and Administrative Assistant to Superintendent (non-certified, non-union employees) for the 2017-2018 school year.” **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

MOTION by T. Brodnitzki, **seconded** by K. Rascati, “to adjourn this regular meeting of the Board of Education” at 7:48 P.M. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Prelli-Hester,
Secretary

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