

Brooksville School Committee Meeting
Monday, December 7, 2015 – 5:00pm
Brooksville Elementary School
Minutes

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair, Charles Tarr, followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Brad Jones, Helen Condon, Matt Freedman, Charles Tarr

Members Absent: Gail Ladd

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Todd Nelson, Becky Poole, Nada Lepper, Edson Blodgett, Jan Leach

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of Minutes of November 2, 2015 meeting

A motion was made by Matt Freedman, seconded by Helen Condon, to approve minutes of the November 2, 2015 meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Communications

1. Sheila Irvine, Director of Special Education, Child Find Policy # 6603 and Screening/Referral to the Individual Education Plan Team #6601 - First Readings

Mark Hurvitt presented the policies. Second reading will take place in January.

E. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Brad Jones, seconded by Helen Condon, to approve the agenda, flipping the two Executive Sessions. Motion passed 4-0.

F. Comments and Questions from the Public

None

G. Reports

1. GSA Report

None.

2. Principal's Report

The Principal's report was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.

3. Superintendent's Report

1. Mr. Hurvitt informed Board about:

a) Hiring Callie Dennison as Custodian

b) Hiring Andrea Gray as Long-term sub for Pre-K and K

c) Robin Jenkins' resignation, effective 12/23/2015. We have advertised for a special education teacher. On the committee will be: Helen Condon (and maybe Gail Ladd or Matt Freedman) from the Board, Todd Nelson, Sheila Irvine and teacher/parent representation as appropriate.

A motion was made by Brad Jones, seconded by Charles Tarr, to allow the Superintendent to hire position and inform Board in January. Motion passed 4-0.

Also, bus bids on the old bus will be accepted by the Town Office until 12/16/2015.

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4. Other Reports

The Deer Isle Stonington High School report was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.

H. Old Business

None

I. New Business

1. First Draft of 2016-17 Budget

Reviewed baseline budget. First budget workshop is scheduled for Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 5:00PM.

2. Possible Delegation of Votes for Union Board meeting on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 5:30pm at the Penobscot Community School.

None.

3. Revisit Full-Time Pre-K

Board decided to continue with current plan through June.

4. Summary of Accounts

The Summary of Accounts was handed out and is attached to the office minutes.

5. Policy # 5900 Animals in Schools – First Reading

Second reading in January.

6. Board Member for Working Group for Union 93 Cooperative Activities

Gail Ladd was appointed to the Working Group.

7. Possible Executive Session Pursuant to § 405 (6)(A) for Teacher Negotiations

A motion was made by Helen Condon, seconded by Brad Jones, to enter executive session at 5:27pm. Motion passed 4-0.

Exited executive session at 5:40pm. A motion was made by Matt Freedman, seconded by Helen Condon, to approve a new 3-year teacher contract for 2016-2019.

Motion passed 4-0.

8. Possible Executive Session Pursuant to § 405 (6)(A) on a Board Legal Matter

A motion was made by Brad Jones, seconded by Helen Condon, to enter executive session at 5:42pm. Motion passed 4-0.

Exited executive session at 5:52pm with no action taken.

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J. Items for Next Month's Agenda

1. Teacher Presentation – Bill Whittaker (Reading Recovery, Title 1)
2. Child Find Policy # 6300 – Second Reading
3. Screening/Referral to the Individual Education Plan Team Policy # 6601 – Second Reading
4. Hiring of Special Education Teacher
5. Animals in Schools Policy # 5900 – Second Reading
6. Budget Discussion
7. Possible Executive Session Pursuant to § 405 (6)(A) on a Board Legal Matter
8. Executive Session per § 405 (6)(A) for the Purpose of Principal Contract Discussion

K. Signing of vouchers
Completed.

L. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm by Chair, Charles Tarr

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt
Superintendent of Schools