

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

Brookfield Board of Education
Regular Meeting of the Board
Thursday, August 25, 2022

Location: George Economides Board Meeting Room

I. Work Session - Time: 5:30 p.m.

Dustin Pyles, of Vaza Consulting presented to the board. They reported on current and possible future initiatives.

II. Call to Order – Regular Session

Mrs. Kurpe called the regular meeting of the Brookfield Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 25, 2022, in the George Economides Board Meeting Room. This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda (Item XI).

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. <u>Roll Call:</u>	Mrs. Sarah Kurpe, President	PRESENT
	Ms. Ronda Bonekovic	PRESENT
	Dr. Derek Mihalcin	PRESENT
	Mr. Jerry Necastro	PRESENT
	Mrs. Melissa Sydlowski	PRESENT

V. Board of Education Reports

The Building and Grounds Committee met and discuss potential bus replacements, bus garage repair vs relocation and safety measures at the district.

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

VIII. Enrollment Data:

	Current	Change from Previous Month
Elementary	392	24
Middle	327	15
High	301	-4
Online	<u>27</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	1033	21

IX. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Gibson updated the board on Monday's open house; this was a huge event with participation from community groups. Project Updates - HVAC System Updates should be completed in two weeks and the first phase of the Remediation Project is underway. In-service days are going well, the day of school for grades 1-12 is on Monday, August 29.

X. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Sloan thanked the board for the opportunities that were given at Brookfield Local School District. Mrs. Sloan's final day is August 31, 2022.

XI. Public Input (5 minutes per individual)

Mrs. Arp wished Mrs. Sloan the best of luck in her new position. Mrs. Arp requested the salary for the new Treasurer. Mrs. Kurpe noted that this would be provided in the meeting.

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

#22-08-03

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Mr. Necastro motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the following Board minutes be approved as submitted:

July 7, 2022 – Special Meeting of the Board
July 20, 2022 – Regular Meeting of the Board
July 28, 2022 – Special Meeting of the Board

BE IT RESOLVED under the provision of ORC 3319.26 regarding the reading of the minutes, that the reading be waived and the minutes approved.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-04

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the July 2022 Check Listing, Financial Report by Fund, Annual Spending Plan and Bank Reconciliation be approved as submitted.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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#22-08-05

TRUMBULL COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER CONTRACT (REVISED)

3. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the revised agreement with the Trumbull County Educational Service Center as submitted for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$767,923, up from \$659,378 on the April 13, 2022, agenda.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#22-08-06

DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE INVENTORY

4. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the disposal of 356 teacher's manuals and history books that are outdated and not in use as well as the following obsolete sound system equipment.

Aphex aurel exciter

Dod 834 stereo crossover

Dbx 166xl compressor/gate

Dod SR831qx

Crest performance cpx2600 power amp

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#22-08-07

DONATIONS

5. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education accepts the following generous donation:

Lesley Bich-Rochester

Clothing & backpacks for food pantry

Mary Arp

Clothing for food pantry

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

#22-08-08

RESOLUTION – EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

6. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Ms. Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education adopts the following resolution to expand employment of substitute teaching variance:

PURSUANT to the authority granted in House Bill 583, signed by Governor DeWine on or about June 23, 2022, the Brookfield Board of Education authorizes the employment of substitute teachers, as needed, who do not hold a post-secondary degree, as otherwise required pursuant to Ohio law and regulations, including Ohio Revised Codes 3301.071, 3319.226, 3319.30, and 3319.36, Ohio Administrative Code Section 3301-23-44, and/or Board Policy, provided that all other applicable requirements and procedures, including but not limited to, successful completion of a criminal background check and evidence of a non-renewable temporary substitute teaching license issued by the Ohio Department of Education have been satisfied.

PER LAW, this is a temporary resolution of the Board, and the authority granted by this resolution extends from the effective date through June 20, 2024.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Sydlowski
Nays: Necastro
Motion Carried

#22-08-09

TEACHER CONTRACTS

7. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves a one-year limited contract for the following certified individuals effective at the start of the contractual 2022-2023 school year*:

Lauren Zetts	Music Teacher	\$40,018.25 (MA+30, Step 0)
Elizabeth Pilolli	Grade 3 Teacher	\$35,015.97 (BA, Step 1)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-10

IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION TEACHER

8. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Ms. Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves a one-year limited contract of **David Konczal** for the position of In-

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School Suspension Teacher effective August 22, 2022. *Annual salary: \$33,348.54
(Bachelors, Step 0)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-11

EDUCATIONAL AIDES

9. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves one-year limited contracts for the following classified individuals as Educational Aides beginning at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

Traci Brown	MS Educational Aide	\$12.34/hour (Step 0)
Amy Brigham	BE Educational Aide	\$12.4/hour (Step 0)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-12

2022-2023 TUTOR

10. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves employment of the following certified individual as a tutor effective at the start of the 2022-2023 school year at an hourly rate of \$25.14.*

Joseph Caruso	HS Tutor
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-13

BUS DRIVER

11. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the hire of the following classified individual effective August 15, 2022, as per Board policies, rules, and regulations.*

William Trunick	Bus Driver	\$16.88/hour (Step 2)
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-14

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

12. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Ms. Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves employment of the following certified individual as a “permanent” substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school year as per Board policies, rules, and regulations. * The individual will be paid three (3) days per week at the rate of \$100 per day.

Carolyn Suttles Start Date: 8/29/2022

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-15

RESIGNATION

13. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education, accepts the resignation of **Emily Cricks**, Elementary Teacher, effective July 29, 2022.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-16

RESIGNATION

14. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education accepts the resignation of **Drew McLaughlin**, Educational Aide, effective July 31, 2022.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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#22-08-17

RESIGNATION

15. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education accepts the resignation of **Tina Barnett**, Educational Aide, effective August 19, 2022.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-18

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE (FMLA)

16. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the Family Medical Leave (FMLA) request of **Ashleigh Sulick** beginning August 22, 2022, until approximately October 31, 2022, pending doctor's release.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-19

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE (FMLA)

17. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the Family Medical Leave (FMLA) request of **Lauren Hrusovsky** beginning August 22, 2022, until approximately November 28, 2022, pending doctor's release.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-20

UNPAID LEAVE

18. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the unpaid leave request of **Kim Kirila** for one (1) day on September 9, 2022.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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#22-08-21

BUS ROUTES 2022-2023

19. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 transportation schedule of bus routes and times as submitted by Carla Stearns, Transportation Supervisor. This information is on file in the transportation office.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#22-08-22

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES FOR 2022-2023

20. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Ms. Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following lunch prices for the Brookfield Local School District's 2022-2023 school year:

Elementary lunch (KG-4)	\$2.50
MS/HS lunch (5-12)	\$2.80
Reduced lunch (KG-12)	\$0.40
Breakfast (KG-12)	\$1.75
Reduced Breakfast (KG-12)	\$0.30
Milk (KG-12)	\$0.50
Adult/Staff lunch	\$3.25

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#22-08-23

HIGH SCHOOL FEES FOR 2022-2023

21. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 fees for Brookfield High School:

Art Course	\$10 per semester
Biology	\$15
Chemistry	\$15
English	Fee based on supplies/paperback books
Graduate Transcripts	\$7
Human Physiology	\$15
Physics	\$15

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Go-Green Science	\$10
Forensic Science	\$10
Senior Class	\$70
Student Parking	\$20

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-24

FOOTBALL STADIUM CLEANUP

22. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Mihalcin seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the hiring of the high school cross country team to clean the football stadium after each game during the 2022 football season. They will be supervised by Tim Taylor, Athletic Director. Cost per cleanup is \$100

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-25

AMEND MOTION

23. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education amends a portion of Motion #21-11-03 from the November 17, 2021, Board meeting to adjust the reimbursement rate for parental payment in lieu of transportation from \$250 to \$538.55 per an amendment to the Ohio Revised Code.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-26

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

24. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Chris Fahndrich	Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach	\$4,002 (Step 7)
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-27

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

25. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Matt Smoot	Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach (JV)	\$3,668 (Step 3)
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-28

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

26. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Andrea Grimm	Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach (8 th)	\$3,668 (Step 3)
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-29

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

27. Mr. Mihalcin motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Rebecca Litz	Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach (7 th)	\$3,001 (Step 1)
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Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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#22-08-30

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

28. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Jordan Harbison Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach \$0 (Volunteer)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-31

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

29. Mrs. Sydlowski motioned and Ms. Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Spencer Toro Boys' Soccer Asst. Coach \$0 (Volunteer)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-32

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

30. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2022-2023 supplemental contract for the individual listed below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Peggy Kekich Substitute Caller \$3,610 stipend

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

#22-08-33

2022-2023 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

31. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mrs. Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education remove Effie Starheim, who resigned effective July 29, 2022, from the following

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supplemental positions for the 2022-2023 school year and approves the 2022-2023 supplemental contracts as listed below per Board policies, rules, and regulations*:

Lauren Zetts	Asst. Band Director	\$2,001 (Step 1)
Lauren Zetts	Asst. Band Director (summer)	\$1,334 (Step 1)
Lauren Zetts	Vocal Music (elementary)	\$ 333 (Step 1)

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

#22-08-34

EMPLOYMENT OF TREASURER

XII. Ms. Bonekovic motioned and Mr. Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education recommends approval of the following administrative contract pursuant to the contract of employment being reviewed by the Board of Education and attached:

Jordan Weber	School Treasurer
Contract	September 9, 2022, through July 31, 2025*
	Days: 260 per year
	Salary: \$87,979

* Mr. Weber provided an adjusted start date of September 9, 2022, from the proposed start date of September 7, 2022.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#22-08-35

ADJOURN

XIII. Adjourn Board Meeting. Time: 6:48 p.m.
Moved by Ms. Bonekovic and Seconded by Mrs. Sydlowski

Ayes: Bonekovic, Kurpe, Mihalcin, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The next meeting of the Board will be held in the George Economides Board Meeting Room on September 21, 2022, at 6:00, with the work session starting at 5:30.

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