

**BROOKFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES**

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Brookfield Board of Education  
**Regular Meeting of the Board**  
Wednesday, November 17, 2021

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Location: Board Office

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

Mr. Lewis presented the state report card and corresponding information.

Mr. Gibson reported to the board on the middle school remediation project, district communications, district newsletter and the community learning center.

**II. Call to Order – Regular Session**

The Brookfield Board of Education called their regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, in the Board Office.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

<b>IV. <u>Roll Call:</u></b>	Mrs. Sarah Kurpe, President	PRESENT
	Ms. Ronda Bonekovic	PRESENT
	Mr. George Economides	PRESENT
	Mr. Jerry Necastro	PRESENT
	Mrs. Melissa Sydlowski	PRESENT

**V. Board of Education Reports**

None

**VI. Old Business**

None

**VII. New Business**

Mrs. Kurpe thanked everyone involved in the YSU Elementary After School Program. The program is up and running and addressing K-4 Challenges. Currently there are 20 students being serviced and the program can accept 40. This program funded with a five year grant.

**VIII. Enrollment Data:**

	Current	Change from Previous Month
Elementary	365	-1
Middle	313	-9
High	<u>337</u>	<u>-8</u>
Total	1015	-18*

\*12 of the 18 are non-students who were in the ED unit at the HS

**IX. Superintendent's Report**

**X. Treasurer's Report**

**XI. Public Input (5 minutes per individual)**

None

**TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**#21-11-01**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Economides motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the following Board minutes be approved as submitted:

October 20, 2021 – Regular 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, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**#21-11-02**

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

2. Sydlowski motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the October 2021 Check Listing, Financial Report by Fund, Annual Spending Plan and Bank Reconciliation be approved as submitted.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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**#21-11-03**

**PARENTAL PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION**

3. Bonekovic motioned and Economides seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education reimburses parents who transport their children to school at the approved state reimbursement rate of \$250 per child as payment in lieu of bus transportation for the 2021-2022 school year as listed below and per school guidelines:

Cardinal Mooney HS – Brenner (1 student)  
Fortuna (1 student)  
Sheehan (1 student)

Discussion: Mr. Necastro asked why the district paid parents who chose to take their children to another school. Mr. Gibson and Mrs. Sloan explained that this is the law and the district is required to pay.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Sydlowski

Nays: Necastro

Motion Carried

**#21-11-04**

**YEARBOOK PHOTOGRAPHY CONTRACT**

4. Economides motioned and Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves a three-year contract with Mathews Photography to photograph student, staff, events, clubs, and activities throughout the 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 school years.

Discussion: The board has been happy with the relationship between the district and Mathews Photography.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**#21-11-05**

**DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE INVENTORY**

5. Bonekovic motioned and Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the removal of twenty-one (21) worn/unusable library materials (title list available in Board office).

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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**#21-11-06**

**DONATIONS**

6. Necastro motioned and Economides seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education accept the following generous donations:

<b>First Presbyterian Church</b>	\$82 for Maker Space
<b>Cafaro Foundation</b>	\$250 for HS soccer team
<b>Vaughn Family</b>	\$50 for food pantry
<b>Cheryl Bell</b>	supplies for food pantry
<b>Brookfield United Methodist Church</b>	supplies for food pantry

Discussion: The board thanked the donors for their generous donations.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**#21-11-07**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – TCAP HEAD START BUS DRIVERS**

7. Economides motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the memorandum of understanding between the District and the Brookfield Association of School Employees (BASE) in regard to the addition of Head Start bus drivers as well as the salary schedule and seniority of transportation personnel.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**#21-11-08**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – EXTENDED DAYS**

8. Economides motioned and Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the memorandum of understanding between the District and the Brookfield Federation of Teachers (BFT) in regard to an additional five (5) extended days for high school counselors.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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**#21-11-09**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – DRONE SUPPLEMENTAL**

9. Sydlowski motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the memorandum of understanding between the District and the Brookfield Federation of Teachers (BFT) to add a supplemental for a drone racing coach in the high school for the 2021-2022 school year. Supplemental salary will be as outlined in the MOU.

Discussion: The Board is excited to watch this program develop.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**#21-11-10**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – CLASSROOM LUNCH**

10. Bonekovic motioned and Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the memorandum of understanding between the District and the Brookfield Federation of Teachers (BFT) in regard to compensation for teachers who open their classrooms daily to students during lunch period effective September 28, 2021, through January 21, 2022. Compensation: \$815 per teacher

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**#21-11-11**

**LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES**

11. Bonekovic motioned and Economides seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves increases in pay for the following certificated individuals who will reach their 60<sup>th</sup> day as a long-term substitute as indicated:

**Meredith Roose** (sub for Jessica Flanagan) 60<sup>th</sup> day on 11/17/21  
\$178.66 per day effective 11/18/21

**Cassandra Murcko** (sub for Jen Pirigyi) 60<sup>th</sup> day on 11/17/21  
\$178.66 per day effective 11/18/21

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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**#21-11-12**

**HOME INSTRUCTOR**

12. Sydlowski motioned and Economides seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the hire of **Erin Konitsney** as a home instructor for a homebound high school student five (5) hours per week at an hourly rate of \$24.64.

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

**#21-11-13**

**RESIGNATION**

13. Economides motioned and Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education accepts the resignation of **Mindy Bailey**, Cook's Helper, effective November 9, 2021.

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

**#21-11-14**

**BAND FIELD TRIP**

14. Sydlowski motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the Brookfield High School Band field trip to Chicago, Illinois, from March 17, 2022, through March 19, 2022. Students will travel via motorcoach to various sites and events around Chicago. Cost per student will cover two (2) nights lodging, a tour manager for all touring/sightseeing, all-night private security, seven (7) total meals, and a DVD of photos taken during the tour for each student. All funds for the trip will be collected through student fundraising and individual/private donation.

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

**#21-11-15**

**UPDATED CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

15. Economides motioned and Bonekovic seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves a resolution accepting updated job descriptions for classified employees to include Bus Driver, Custodial Utility, Custodian, Cashier, Cook, Cook's Helper, Secretary, and Educational Aide. These updated job descriptions are on file in the Board office.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

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Nays: None  
Motion Carried

**#21-11-16**

**2021-2022 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS**

16. Economides motioned and Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following 2021-2022 supplemental contracts for the individuals below as per Board policies, rules, and regulations\*:

<b>Lisa Henry</b>	Resident Educator Mentor	\$500 stipend per resident
<b>Ben Solomon</b>	Head Wrestling Coach	\$4904 (Step 7)
<b>Larry Hackett</b>	Wrestling Coach	Volunteer (\$0)
<b>Aaron Loveless</b>	Asst. Boys Basketball Coach	Volunteer (\$0)

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

**#21-11-17**

**RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND PORTION OF POLICY 0131**

17. Bonekovic motioned and Sydlowski seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education adopts the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education Policy 0131 requires, in part, that “[b]ylaws and policies...may be adopted, amended, and repealed at any meetings of the Board, provided the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal shall have been proposed at a previous Board meeting;” and

**WHEREAS**, this Policy 0131 further provides in relevant part, “...and where compelling reasons exist, cause to suspend at any time the operation of a bylaw or policy herein contained, provided the suspension does not conflict with law;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Board seeks to amend Board Policy 5771 at a single meeting to further its mission to prevent drug abuse among its students and in furtherance of its commitment to establish and maintain a drug-free school environment for the whole school community, and to use available resources to achieve this end to the greatest extent possible.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Brookfield Local School District Board of Education hereby adopts amended Board Policy 5771, *Search and*

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*Seizure*, as attached hereto, and the Board does so at this single meeting in accordance with Board Policy 0131.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board hereby directs and authorizes the Superintendent to implement this resolution, and take any and all necessary action to do so in accordance with amended Board Policy 5771.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall remain in effect until otherwise modified by the Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board in compliance with all legal requirements, Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#### **#21-11-18**

#### **POLICY UPDATE**

18. Economides motioned and Necastro seconded that the Brookfield Board of Education approves the following policy update:

5771 – Search and Seizure

Ayes: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **21-11-19**

#### **ADJOURN**

**XII.** Adjourn Board Meeting. Time: 6:25 p.m.

Moved by Bonekovic and Seconded by Sydlowski

Aye: Bonekovic, Economides, Kurpe, Necastro, Sydlowski

Nay: None

Motion Carried

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