

**THE GIST
BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT
OPEN SESSION *** REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 17, 2022**

The Brookfield R-III Board of Education, Brookfield, Missouri met in open session on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in person in the HS Media Center. All board members were present except Jered Wallace: Jim McIntyre, Blake DeVoy, Mandy Tarpenting, Dave Shaw, Noel Staddie, and Ryan Burns. President McIntyre called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Agenda and Consent Agenda items were approved as presented.

During Communications and Petitions, Dr. Collins presented retirement bells to the following staff members retiring at the end of the school year: Teresa Doss – Lead Nurse; Stefanie Duncan – Special Education; Bridget Evans – Paraprofessional; and Tim Speichinger – Director of Transportation. Trish Gladbach (MS At-Risk) and David Fifer (bus driver) were unable to attend but will receive their bells at a later date.

Finance reports from 04/30/22 were reviewed. Dr. Collins stated that everything is on track to finish the year in the black and looking good at this point. Our enrollment is currently at 822. Next year we will lose the senior class of 70 so our numbers will most likely drop even more at that time.

During Program Review time Denise Carlson, Director of Special Services, presented a report on PAT/Early Childhood programs. Matt Parn, Director of Maintenance, reviewed all the summer maintenance projects he and his staff will undertake this summer. Some of those projects included painting the Elementary and Middle School facades, adding two batting cages at the new ballfield, adding some additional sidewalks around the new ballfield, remodeling of the ACC office and staff bathrooms. Matt Anderson, Director of Technology reviewed the summer projects he and his summer staff will undertake, which included fine tuning our wireless connection, furthering the Mac Book conversion for teachers, upgrading our servers, looking into a possible new scan badge system, working on the conference room screen conversion, installing more Apple TV's in classrooms, and 4-5 other projects.

Dr. Collins reviewed the 2022-23 Preliminary Budget with the board. No formal action was taken yet.

Dr. Collins reported on the Prop 2 Construction Project. The grading and drainage issues of the ballfield appear to be taken care of at this time. The plumbing issues in the restrooms are still not corrected. The District is still holding \$90,000 from the contractors until this issue is resolved.

Dr. Collins reviewed the construction schedule for the ESSER III construction projects, which include restroom remodels, playground renovation, and MS/ES gym HVAC project. All of these projects are being managed by Veregy (formerly CTS). They all appear to be on schedule. However, the HVAC system will not be completely installed until sometime in October, but it should still be a smooth transition.

Dr. Collins reviewed 2022 Summer School with the board. It will run during the following time frames: June 1-28 for grades PK-8 (20 days); June 6-28 for High School (17 days); both groups M-F from 8 a.m. to 12:14 p.m. Estimated enrollment is K-8: 104 and 9-12: 20-30 (will be based on 2nd semester grades). Transportation will be provided. Food Service will be provided through SSO (Community Options). Health Services will be provided. The estimated personnel count will be: 14 certified staff (12 PK-8 plus 2 HS), 1 nurse, 3 paraprofessionals, and 2 bus drivers. The estimated budget is around \$70,000 and will be reimbursed with ESSER III funds.

Dr. Collins reminded the board that Graduation is Sunday, May 22nd, at 1 p.m. in the H.S. gym. Robes and hoods will be in the H.S. Media Center by 10:30 a.m. that day. He also reminded them that the Hurlbut Banquet is May 18th at 5:30 p.m. with Senior Awards Night following at 7:00 p.m.

The board held a second reading of the MSBA 2022A Policy Updates.

The board unanimously approved the PD/Tech Camp for certified staff members that the district will run from August 3-4, 2022. As in previous years, participants in the PD camp are eligible to receive a stipend for attending training sessions. Each session is 3 hours in length, with a total of 4 (four) sessions available during the 2 days (Wednesday morning, Wednesday afternoon, Thursday morning, and Thursday afternoon). Compensation for attending each 3-hour training session will be provided in the following amount(s) at approximately \$45 an hour (paid from Title II funds):

- * One training session = \$135
- * Two training sessions = \$270
- * Three training sessions = \$405
- * Four training sessions = \$540

Dr. Collins recommended that the 2022-23 cafeteria prices all be raised by 10 cents. He reminded the board that it is anticipated that breakfasts and lunches will no longer be free for the 2022-23 school year. The board unanimously approved the 2022-23 breakfast and lunch prices as follows:

EL/MS	Breakfast \$1.60	Lunch \$1.90
HS	Breakfast \$1.60	Lunch \$2.05
Adults	Breakfast \$1.85	Lunch \$2.45

The board unanimously approved the end-of-year TIPS report. The totals were as follows:

Level 1 – 20 participants
Level 2 – 9 participants
Level 3 – 4 participants
Level 4 – 34 participants
National Board Certified Teachers – 3
TIP cost = \$63,650
NBC cost = \$8000
Total Cost = \$71,650

Dr. Collins reviewed with the board the many legislation bills and new programs that are most likely going to be signed into law by the Governor in the near future.

The following items were tabled until further information is available from the State:

- One Time State Grant Program to Raise Minimum Teacher Salaries to \$38K
- The State Funded Career Ladder Program
- Amending the district's 22-23 salary schedule based on what happens with the \$38K minimum salary schedule grant

The board reviewed the April and May Opaa reports.

Dr. Collins reported that due to the death of Ron Bunse, the administrator of the Carmen Kay Bunse Scholarship, a new local administrator needs to be appointed. Edward Jones, who invests and manages these funds for the Bunse family, recommended it be the district bookkeeper or superintendent. Therefore, the board unanimously approved that the board secretary or superintendent have the following power and authority on behalf of the corporation to enter an agreement on behalf of the of the corporation to enter an agreement on behalf of the corporation; open a brokerage account on the behalf of the corporation; do and perform every act to be done conjunction with the account being opened, including, but not limited to, being able to transfer, endorse, sell, assign, and deliver any and all certificates of stock, bonds debentures, notes, subscriptions, warrants, stock purchase warrants, evidences of indebtedness, or other securities now and hereafter registered in the name of or owned by the corporation; and make, execute, and deliver any and all written instruments necessary to effectuate the authority hereby granted.

Administrative reports were presented in the board packet by each administrator.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned and moved into closed session at 7:20 p.m. During closed session, the board accepted a letter of resignation from Janell Falconer, MS Science, effective at the end of the current school year, and approved the hiring of Andrea Porch as either a MS Science teacher or a HS Social Studies teacher, as she is certified in several areas. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. During a special closed session meeting held on May 2, 2022, the board voted unanimously to hire the following teachers for the 2022-23 school year: Anna Geurkink – Vocal Music MS/HS; Connor Sanchezgraw – Instrumental Music MS/HS; and Dray Starzl – MS At-Risk. Mr. Starzl will also be coaching the High School basketball team. Further, Abby Sackrey was hired as the lead nurse for the 2022-23 school year. Amber Przybylski will remain the district's secondary nurse in the High School.