## THE GIST BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT --- OPEN SESSION REGULAR BOARD MEETING AUGUST 15, 2023

The Brookfield R-III Board of Education, Brookfield, Missouri met in open session on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in person in the HS Media Center. All board members were present: Jim McIntyre, Blake DeVoy, Ryan Burns, David Shaw, Galen Hicks, Noel Staddie and Samantha Howell. President McIntyre called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Director DeVoy moved to approve the Agenda as amended by Dr. Hoyt. Director Burns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed his recommendation for the 2023-2024 tax rate. There were no public comments. Director Hicks moved to approve the proposed tax levy for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

4.4537	Operating Levy (fund 1)
.66	Deb Service Levy (fund 3)
5.1137	Total Levy

Director Burns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The board moved to adjourn the tax rate hearing and move into regular session. Motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments. The board approved the Consent Agenda items as presented.

The board reviewed the upcoming calendar dates. Director Shaw moved to make September 15, 2023, the first Friday early out for professional development, starting at 1:45 p.m. Director Howell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the Teacher Work Day schedule. Jonna Weydert and Aerin Billingsley presented a program evaluation on the district's professional development program. Head Nurse Abby Sackrey gave a program evaluation on the district's health program. Dr. Hoyt reviewed the 07/31/23 finance reports with the board.

Dr. Hoyt reported on how the district is moving along with the student management system, Infinite Campus. It has been a huge change for district staff and many training hours have been spent learning the new system. The staff has worked hard under Matt Anderson's direction to be ready for the first day of school. This new system will figure into almost every part of the day, so it is imperative that everyone keeps hard to keep the transition going smoothly. Dr. Hoyt has been very pleased with the staff's efforts so far.

Ms. Carlson and Mrs. Wilbeck reviewed with the board the district's revised Return to Learn Plan for 2023-24. Director Shaw moved to approve the 2023-24 Return to Learn Plan as submitted. Director Wilbeck seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the following transportation bids:

TIRE BIDS
Only 1 bid was received, which was from:
T-W Tire out of Sedalia, MO
\$593.82 – XDM-Z, 16 ply
\$569.14 – XZE-2, 16 ply

OIL BIDS

Only 1 bid was received, which was from: Rainbo Oil out of Palmyra, MO Chevron Delo 400 XLE \$14.99/gallon FIRM

## **PROPANE BIDS**

Three bids were received, which were from:

- (1) Ray-Carroll Fuels, LLC \$1.45/gallon FIRM
- (2) Ferrellgas, KCKS \$1.40/gallon FIRM
- (3) MFA Oil \$1.39/gallon FIRM

Director Shaw moved to table the tire bids and think about seeking out bids, as we need them. Director Burns seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director DeVoy moved to approve the oil bid from Rainbo Oil for Chevron Delo 400 XLE \$14.99/gallon FIRM. Director Staddie seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Hicks moved to approve the propane bid from MFA Oil for \$1.39/gallon FIRM. Director Burns seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed the following resolution regarding the district's participation in the Brookfield Sidewalk and Pedestrian Improvement Project No. TAP-1400(201):

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL, SIGNATURE AND EXECUTION OF EASEMENTS AND PROJECT DOCUMENTS FOR THE BROOKFIELD SIDEWALK AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. TAP-1400(201)

WHEREAS: The Brookfield Area Community Pedestrian Sidewalk Project (the "project") provides new modern pedestrian access from the school campus to the YMCA, and the industrial employment area,, and; WHEREAS: The project requires permanent and temporary construction easements for such improvements to

meet MoDOT requirements and to receive MoDOT grant funding, and;

WHEREAS: The community, school campus, YMCA, employees, and students benefit from the construction of the project and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby authorizes the superintendent and or the president of the school board to execute the required project documents including but not limited to the Temporary construction easements, the permanent sidewalk easements, funding documents and all those documents required by the city and MoDOT to complete the project approvals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The school board supports the continued improvement of pedestrian facilities that allow the school to continue to be walkable to students, employees, and patrons in the community.

Director DeVoy moved to approve the above resolution and Director Staddie seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed a resolution prepared by LJ Hart's office for the district to consider. This resolution would have us issue a prepayment of bond principal, decreasing our interest payments by \$7,000. Director Howell moved the adoption of a Resolution, entitled as follows:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION OF \$160,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE PBULICATION OF NOTICE OF REDEMPTION. (full resolution attached hereto)

Director DeVoy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Shaw moved to readopt Policy BBFA (BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE), which must be readopted every other year in order for the district to

remain in compliance with Missouri law. Director DeVoy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Denise Carlson reviewed the district's 504 Manual with the board. Director Burns moved to readopt the district's 504 Manual as updated and presented by Ms. Carlson. Director DeVoy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed with the board an agreement with Ameren Missouri regarding Ameren using district property to keep and store their vehicles in cases of emergency when Ameren would be in the area for an extended period of time to address severe storms and storm recovery. No formal action was taken but the board and Dr. Hoyt both believe that the district would work with Ameren in the future and help however possible during times of crisis. If this involves any paperwork, Dr. Hoyt will take care of it.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m. and the board moved into closed session. During closed session, the board hired Dennis Hughes as a half-time instructor for the high school alternative program and a half-time paraprofessional. The board also hired Tiffany Baum as a full-time early childhood teacher. Dr. Hoyt also informed the board we have hired Billy Stroud as a custodian and Savanah Carmichael as a paraprofessional.