

BRIGHTON SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 9th, 2022 at 5:30 PM

Brighton Elementary School Library

David Yasharian

Gayle Cornelius

Judy Castonguay

Bradley Beth

Tim O'Bar **Administrators:**

Annsunee Swift, Principal

John Castle, Superintendent

April Touchette, NCSU Financial

*Denotes absentees

Call the Meeting to Order

Beth called the meeting to order at 5:35

Board Reorganization

Elect Chairperson

Yasharian made a motion to appoint Bradley Beth as Chairman of the Brighton Select Board. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor.

Elect Vice Chairperson

O'bar made a motion to appoint Judy Castonguay as the Vice Chairman of the Brighton Select Board. This act was seconded by Yasharian. All in Favor.

Elect Clerk

Cornelius made a motion to appoint Cornelius as the Clerk to the Brighton Select Board. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor

Elect two (2) NCSU Full Board Representatives

Yasharian made a motion to appoint David Yasharian as the NCSU Full Board Representative. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor.

Yasharian made a motion to appoint Judy Castonguay as the NCSU Full Board Representative. This act was seconded by Castonguay. All in Favor.

Elect alternate member for the NCSU Full Board

O'bar made a motion to appoint Cornelius as the Alternat to NCSU Full Board Representative. This act was seconded by Yasharian. All in Favor.

Appoint one (1) NCSU Executive Committee member (*Must be a Full Board Representative*)

Castonguay made a motion to appoint Dave Yasharian as Executive Committee Member. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor

Appoint NCSU Policy Committee member

O'bar made a motion to appoint Dave Yasharian as Policy Committee Member. This act was seconded by Yasharian. All in Favor.

Appoint NCSU Negotiations Committee member

This position was not voted on by the board and will be determined at a later date. This will be determined by the Brighton Select Board.

Designate an official newspaper Designate posting locations

Yasharian made a motion to appoint the Caladonian Newspaper as the official newspaper for posting locations. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor.

Review posting protocols

The board reviewed the various locations for official posting and determined the Town Clerk Office, Post Office, Brighton Elementary, and School Website as an appropriate location for postings. O'bar made a motion to approve locations mentioned above. This act was seconded by Yasharian. All in Favor.

Meeting dates and times (*Attachment SCHED)**

The board determined to continue the practice of meeting at 5:30 p.m. and on the second Wednesday of every month. Castonguay made a motion to approve the given time and date. This act was seconded by Cornelius. All in Favor.

Approve use of *Robert's Rules of Order for Small Boards*

Yasharian made a motion to approve the Robert's Rule of Order for Small Boards. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor.

Review Board Roles, Responsibilities and Meeting Norms

The Board reviewed roles and responsibilities. Yasharian made a motion to approve the Review Board Roles, Responsibilities and Meeting Norms. This act was seconded by O'bar. All in Favor.

Consider Annual Board Goals

The Board touched on a vast variety of goals and touched on a having a larger presence on social media (Facebook Engagement Post), Community Engagement through added articles to newspapers and new job postings placed in common community accessible areas.

Approve the minutes of February 9, 2022 (*Attachment A*)

Yasharian made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by O'bar

Public Comments, Communication with Parents/Staff/Citizens

N/A

Financial Report

O'bar made a motion to approve the Financial Report, seconded by Yasharian

Accept Resignation of Music Teacher

The resignation letter of the music teacher was brought to the school board. The music teacher is leaving on good terms and is seeking work abroad. O'bar made a motion to approve the resignation of music teacher, seconded by Yasharian

Accept Resignation of Kindergarten

The resignation letter of the kindergarten teacher was brought to the school board. The kindergarten teacher two-year provision is up and is leaving on good terms. O'bar made a motion to approve the resignation of the kindergarten teacher, seconded by Yasharian

Accept Resignation of 6th Grade Teacher

The resignation letter of the 6th grade teacher was brought to the school board. The 6th grade teacher is leaving on good terms and is seeking work closer to home. Yasharian made a motion to approve the resignation of music teacher, seconded by O'bar

Information/Discussion:

A. Vacant NCUHS Board Position

The Board decided to make a various post on social media to promote the vacant NCUHS board position.

Principals' Report (*Attachment C*)

Principal Swift opened the report with the end and success of winter programing. Principal Swift noted the addition of a lot of new students that had entered the Brighton Family. In the principal report Swift also spoke about utilizing ESSER funds for increasing the music and art teachers' presence at Brighton Elementary. Principal Swift also quickly added that there was a presumptive covid case in the Brighton School Community.

O'bar made a motion to approve the Principal Report. Seconded by Castonguay.

Superintendent's Report

Castle opened the report that everything was going well and acknowledged of the recent change in mask wearing across the NCSU District. Castle noted that mask wearing is now optional due to the recent covid-19 policy updates by the State of Vermont.

Unfinished/New Business

N/A

Executive Session (*If Needed*)

N/A

Agenda Items/Date for Next Board Meeting: April 13, 2022*

Adjourn

O'bar made a motion to Adjourn at 7:04. Seconded by Yasharian.