

**THE GIST
BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT
OPEN SESSION - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2109**

The Brookfield R-III Board of Education, Brookfield, Missouri met in open session on Tuesday, November 19, 2019, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Media Center. The following board members were present: Jim McIntyre, Toni Fay, Jered Wallace, Blake DeVoy, Galen Hicks and Mandy Wiedeman. Burnie Hicks was absent.

President McIntyre led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the meeting to order. Dr. Collins asked that a student matter be added to closed session. The Agenda was approved unanimously as amended. The Consent Agenda items were approved unanimously.

Mr. Thudium recognized Alex Sharp as State Champion in Girls Cross Country and Olivia Montgomery for earning a position in the All State Choir. Hopefully both students will be able to attend the December board meeting so the board can recognize them personally.

The board approved the 2019 reviewed a Safety, Emergency Response, Intervention Plan, as prepared by Mrs. Wilbeck, unanimously.

Mr. John Gillum presented the 2018-19 audit for the board's review. He stated that this year he focused on the district's food service program and federal programs. The board unanimously approved the 2018-19 audit as presented, as well as the revised 2018-19 ASBR.

Finance reports for October 31, 2019 were reviewed by the board.

Dr. Bruce Johnson from L.J. Hart presented information on the possibility of refunding current bonds for a potential savings of between \$182,000 and \$239,000 at no anticipated increase in the \$0.66 debt service levy. Refinancing would give the district the opportunity to increase the April 2020 bond issue to between \$2.75M and \$3M with no anticipated increase in the \$0.66 debt service levy. Director DeVoy moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF \$1,750,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2019 (MISSOURI DIRECT DEPOSIT PROGRAM), OF BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LINN COUNTY, MISSOURI FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING \$1,750,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2015; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN A DIRECT DEPOSIT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO SUPPORT PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FINAL TERMS COMMITTEE; AND FIXING THE TIME WHEN THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

Director Wiedeman seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion:

Yeas---McIntyre, Fay, Wallace, G. Hicks, DeVoy, Wiedeman

Nays---None

The motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the ballot language for the proposition they will present on the April 7, 2020, election ballot. Dr. Collins stated he has titled it Proposition 2 unless he hears from the board regarding a different name for the ballot issue. Director Wiedeman moved to approve the following ballot language:

Proposition 2

Shall the Board of Education of the Brookfield R-III School District, Missouri, without an estimated increase in the current debt service property tax levy, borrow money in the amount of **Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000)** for the purpose of providing funds to **construct at the main District campus, a concession stand and restroom facility, complete the baseball/softball field, and install athletic field lights at our Track/Baseball/Softball Complex; to complete parking lot improvements; to complete heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) upgrades in various buildings; to the extent funds are available, complete other repairs and improvements to the existing facilities** of the District; and issue bonds for the payment thereof? If this proposition is approved, the adjusted debt service levy of the School District is estimated to remain **unchanged at \$0.6600** per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property.

Director DeVoy seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion:

Yeas---McIntyre, Fay, Wallace, G. Hicks, DeVoy, Wiedeman

Nays---None

The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Collins reviewed the Board of Education filing dates. The first day candidates can file for the upcoming board openings is Tuesday, December 17, 2019, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The last day they can file is Tuesday, January 21, 2020, ending at 5:00 p.m. This year Directors Fay, DeVoy, and Wallace are up for re-election if they choose to file again.

The board approved presenting each staff member with \$20 in Brookfield Bucks before the holiday break begins.

Dr. Collins stated that the administrative team would have a full presentation in early 2020 of the district's APR/ACT scores.

Administrative reports were presented to the board.

The board discussed the formation of a steering committee for the Prop 2 election, including duties, possible members, and items that need to be looked at right away.

Dr. Collins reminded the board about the new Missouri law that requires all school board members to receive yearly training on the prevention of sexual abuse of children. It is an on-line training course approximately one hour long. The district office will be notified electronically as each board member completes the required training.

There being no further business to discuss, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:58 p.m. and move into closed session in accordance with RSMo, Sections 610.021 (3, 6, 12, 16), - closed meeting – closed record – closed vote.