

**THE GIST
BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING --- OPEN SESSION
NOVEMBER 21, 2017**

The Brookfield R-III Board of Education, Brookfield, Missouri met in open session on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the District Conference Room. All board members were present: Jeff Vogel, Toni Fay, Jim McIntyre, Jered Wallace, Burnie Hicks, Galen Hicks and Blake DeVoy. President Vogel called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

No changes were made to the Agenda. There were no public comments. The board approved the Consent Agenda items unanimously.

During student recognition time, the Brookfield R-III FFA Chapter was recognized for achieving a 3 Star rating at the state and national level.

John Gillum, the district auditor, presented the 2016-17 school audit to the board. He reviewed the areas he concentrated on this year and the ending year balances. He felt the district has done a tremendous job in building its balances and safe-guarding its assets. The board will review the audit and take action on it at the regular December board meeting.

During program evaluation time, Dr. Collins reviewed the various safety, emergency and intervention procedures the district has in place and which are carried out at least annually each year.

The board accepted Jane Schmitz' letter of retirement effective at the end of the current school year.

The board agreed to move the regular December board meeting to Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

Finance reports from 10/31/17 were reviewed by the board and Dr. Collins.

The board reviewed the MSBA 2017C Policy Updates with Dr. Collins, along with the recommended update of Policy ADF – District Wellness Program. The board agreed to table all of the 2017C updates so they could review them for one more month. The board unanimously approved Policy ADF as revised by MSBA.

The board discussed the ballot language for the April 3, 2018 election. The board approved the following ballot language for Proposition 2 on the April 3, 2018 ballot unanimously:

Proposition 2

Shall the Board of Education of the Brookfield R-III School District, Missouri, be authorized to continue the temporary operating tax levy of \$0.4239 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation through Tax Year 2023 for purposes of maintaining district facilities and meeting the operating expenses of the school district? If this proposition is approved, the current temporary adjusted operating tax levy of the District of \$0.4239 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation is estimated to remain unchanged and continue through Tax Year 2023.

Dr. Collins updated the board on the DESE Commissioner situation in Jefferson City. Recently the Missouri Board of Education voted to keep Commissioner Margie Vandeven as the state's top education official. The board voted 4-4 to keep the commissioner. According to the board meeting's minutes, four of the five board members appointed by Gov. Eric Greitens voted to remove her. Dr. Collins stated that he would notify the board if he hears of any further developments regarding upcoming State Board of Education meetings.

Dr. Collins reported that board filing begins December 12, 2017 at 8 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. on January 15, 2018. President Vogel's and Director Burnie Hicks' terms end in April of 2018, so they will need to file if they should choose to run again.

Dr. Collins asked the board if they felt it necessary to rebid our health insurance agent of record (not required until 2019) or our property insurance agent of record (not required until 2021). The board agreed that at this time they see no need to rebid either agent of record position.

The board authorized Dr. Collins to give \$20 in Brookfield Bucks to each staff member as a holiday token of appreciation.

Dr. Collins presented the APR Results to the board. He stated he was very pleased with the results and will have a thorough review of them at a future board meeting.

Administrative reports were presented to the board.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m. and the board moved into closed session.