

THE GIST
BROOKFIELD R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT
OPEN SESSION --- REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 19, 2024

The Brookfield R-III Board of Education, Brookfield, Missouri met in open session on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in person in the HS Media Center. The following board members were present: Jim McIntyre, Blake DeVoy, Ryan Burns, Galen Hicks, Noel Staddie, and Samantha Howell. David Shaw was absent.

President McIntyre called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board approved the Agenda and Consent Agenda items as presented. There were no public comments. The board reviewed the upcoming calendar dates and the finance reports for 02/29/24. Kindergarten through twelfth grade enrollment is currently at 806.

The board held its second reading of the MSBA 2023C and 2023D Policy & Procedure Updates. Dr. Hoyt asked the board members to contact him with any questions regarding these updates before the next board meeting in April.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed Option A & B of the 2024-25 school calendar with the board. The Planning Committee reviewed it with their staff also and Option B was chosen by 65.2%. The calendars are very similar but Option B has no parent/teacher conference day for third quarter and it has a built in 'No School' day in October. Option A & B have a total of 166 student days, 173 teacher days. Option A has 1089.03 instructional hours. Option B has 1088.11 instructional hours. The board unanimously approved Option B of the 2024-25 school calendar as the 2024-25 Official School Calendar.

Dr. Hoyt reviewed the MEUHP Insurance renewal with the board. The board must decide by April 30, 2024 if the district is going to renew our membership with MEUHP. With the renewal, the district will move to Tier 9 of coverage with roughly a 12.5% increase in our premiums. Dr. Hoyt is trying to discover whether any other consortiums will take us on, but he is very doubtful at this point due to our loss-ratio experience during the last year. The board will vote on this matter at the April board meeting.

Dr. Hoyt reported that he is working on the proposed 2024-25 budget. He has inserted the probable health insurance increase, added \$1000 to the base certified salary (bringing it to \$35,500), and included roughly a \$1.00 per hour raise to the non-certified staff salaries. He still has a lot of work to do on the revenue side and as those figures become more firm, he'll have a better idea of what our bottom line for next year is going to be. The board will vote on the new budget at the June 2024 board meeting.

Dr. Hoyt presented a prorated schedule for graduation credits due to the transition from block scheduling. It was as follows:

BHS Graduation Requirements

Students Attending Traditional Classes					
Department	Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
English Lang Arts	4	4	4	4	4
Social Studies	3	3	3	3	3
Mathematics	3	3	3	3	3
Science	3	3	3	3	3
Fine Arts	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1
Practical Arts	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1
Physical Ed	2	2	2	2	1
Personal Finance	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	17	15	13	11	11
TOTAL	36	34	32	30	28
Success Center Students					
Department	Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
English Lang Arts	4	4	4	4	4
Social Studies	3	3	3	3	3
Mathematics	3	3	3	3	3
Science	3	3	3	3	3
Fine Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Practical Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Physical Ed	1	1	1	1	1
Personal Finance	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	11	11	11	9	7
TOTAL	28	28	28	26	24

The board voted unanimously to adopt the prorated graduation credit schedule as presented, beginning with the Class of 2024.

Administrative reports were reviewed by the board.

There being no further business to discuss, the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m. and move into closed session. During closed session, the board voted unanimously to accept a retirement letter from Stacey Baum, kindergarten teacher, and a resignation letter from Kooper Wilson, elementary physical education teacher, both effective at the end of the current school year. The board voted unanimously to hire Lathan Croy as a 2024-25 high school math teacher and Cara Ervie as a 2024-25 middle school special education teacher.