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A meeting was convened at 4:05 pm in Room 59 at Kickemuit Middle School. A quorum was established.

- I. Attendance: D. Achilli, J. Saarinen, K. Pereira, J. King, J. McDonald, K. Tomkinson, T. DelSanto, J. LaFazia, J. Lawson, N. Patalano, B. Chidester, J. Schneider, K. Kline, K. Aleicho, N. Ross, D. Parks, V. Cronan
- II. Review Agenda
 - A. Minutes from the December meeting was approved as presented
 - B. No items were added to the agenda
- III. New Business
 - A. NEARI Lobby Day - February 6
 1. There is release time available per the contract to take part.
 2. Let J. Saarinen know if you are attending
 - B. Guiteras Staff Meeting
 1. Guiteras will be closing/phasing out within the next few years, depending on the completion of construction at Kickemuit Middle School (approximately 2027-2029)
 2. Guiteras gen ed. teachers will have a job within the district. This movement will impact $\frac{2}{3}$ of the BWEA members.
 - a) Questions about specialist teachers, special ed teachers, MLL and reading specialists, etc. have not been answered
 - b) Colt-Andrews will become a three-track school
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Counslr
 1. J. Saarinen motions BWEA is in support of the app and will help with its roll out. J. Lawson seconds, unanimously passes
 - B. Morale Survey Update
 1. The next survey will be in February 2024
 2. Building reps should encourage more people to take the survey
- V. Building Issues
 - A. Colt Andrews - camera issue continues
 - B. Guiteras - flooding issues
 - C. Hugh Cole - nothing to report
 - D. Rockwell
 1. parking safety issues continue
 2. No faculty advisory meetings being held
 - E. Kickemuit Middle School - nothing to report
 - F. Mt. Hope High School
 1. the number of classrooms in the newest building plans is a concern
 2. BWEA will collect questions being asked by teachers regarding the newest plans
- VI. Reports
 - A. Co-Presidents - enrollment is decreasing in the region and with it cuts in education funding

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- B. Vice President - nothing to report
- C. Treasurer
 - 1. 1099s mailed
 - 2. Building reps should continue to contact treasurer with names of new hires
 - 3. Four of 5 scholarships have been claimed
- D. Secretary - February 3 NEARI's Black History in Education Conference information shared
- E. High School Grievance Chair - nothing to report
- F. Middle School Grievance Chair - nothing to report
- G. Elementary School Grievance Chair - 1 grievance in abeyance

Meeting adjourned 5:03 pm