

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 5:45 p.m.

(For the December 20, 2012 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at Washington School, 685 Baldwin Street, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:45 p.m.

PRESENT: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, Harkins, Harvey, Hayes, Rodriguez, and Sweeney.

ABSENT: Commissioners D'Amelio, Morales, and Van Stone.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Ouellette, Chief Academic Officer Anne Marie Cullinan, Special Advisor to the Superintendent Dr. Paul Sequeira, Chief Operating Officer & Chief of Staff Paul Guidone, Director of Personnel Ron Frost, and Education Liaison Mary Ann Marold.

Reports were submitted to the various committees of the Board and discussed, as per the following agenda, no votes were taken:

AGENDA

SILENT PRAYER

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG led by Maggie O'Leary

7. Committee on School Personnel/5 minutes ~ Request approval of the job specifications for the new position of Community Connections Coordinator (funded by the SDE Education of Homeless Children and Youth Grant) – L. Riddick Barron. *Community based.*
1. Committee of the Whole/30 minutes ~ Principal's Report – Roxanne Augelli.
2. Committee of the Whole/15 minutes ~ GEAR UP Grant (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) – Dr. Sequeira. (David Celotto/Program Director, Sean Mosley/NEMS Site Coordinator, Blayre Millo/WSMS Site Coordinator, Steven Alexandrou/WMS Site Coordinator). *Total of 1,200 students enrolled. Commissioner Harvey would like information on the Department's website.*
8. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- a. Committee of the Whole/15 minutes ~ Discussion: Instructional Leadership Director (ILD) Networks – Dr. Ouellette, A. M. Cullinan, Instructional Leadership Directors. (A. Johnson, W. Rice, D. Schwartz, K. Walston).
- b. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Blueprint for Change – Dr. Ouellette, A. M. Cullinan, Blue Print for Change Committee.
- c. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Budget freeze update – P. Guidone.
3. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to apply for the State Department of Education “K -8 Science Improvement Grant” (consensus needed) – A. M. Cullinan, ~~L. Allen-Brown~~. *Consensus*.
4. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval for North End Middle School to apply for the CT Office of Policy and Management “Schools & Police Working Together” mini-grant – ~~L. Allen-Brown~~, F. Fazzino, ~~R. Berardi~~.
5. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to apply for the SDE Interdistrict Cooperative Grant for the proposed SAT Prep Academy Project – A. Johnson, ~~L. Allen-Brown~~.
6. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to participate in various SDE Interdistrict Cooperative Grants with the following – L. Allen Brown:
Education Connection Litchfield Performing Arts
Talcott Mountain Science Center Eli Whitney Museum
9. Committee on Policy/10 minutes ~ Series 4000 policies – Commissioner Sweeney. *Removed regulations relating to Staff Recruitment.*
10. Committee on Curriculum/5 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Laura Galanti, Kingsbury, and three chaperones to take 25 students to Boston, MA on May 17, 2013 to visit the Freedom Trail.
11. Committee on Curriculum/5 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Donna Cullen, Maloney, and 23 chaperones to take 174 students to New York, NY on April 10, 2013 to attend a Broadway Play.
12. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~
 - a. Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
13. Superintendent’s Notification to the Board/5 minutes:
 - a. Grant funded appointments effective immediately:
Alsukni, Nawar – from Substitute Pre-K Classroom Assistant to permanent (replacing Elaine Levi who resigned), Early Childhood Education Program, 10 months/35 hours per week, salary and benefits according to the SEIU Agreement, funded by School Readiness Grant.
Harris, Teresa – Pre-K Bus Driver, ECEP, 10 months, 35 hours p/wk, salary and benefits governed by the Service Employees International Union.
Medlock, Richard – Substitute Pre-K Driver, ECEP, as needed at \$12.75 p/hour.

Rinaldi, Shelley – Instructional Tutor, Chase School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week at \$32.00 per hour, non-union/without benefits.

- b. Extended School Hours (ESH) Program Appointments, salary according to individual's contract:

SCHOOL	NAME	ASSIGNMENT
<i>Bucks Hill</i>	Cherie Corbo	Teacher
<i>Reed</i>	Doreen Lopez	Substitute
	Kris Fitzgerald	Clerical
<i>W. Cross</i>	Linda McGill	Substitute

- c. Middle School Credit Retrieval Program appointments, salary according to individual's contract, effective immediately:

WSMS

Lead Teacher: Heather Brown
Reading Teachers: Kevin Kalach, Doris Mancini
Math Teachers: Lori Trumbley, Michele Guglielmo
Substitutes: Joseph Deptula, Denise Soto

- d. Teacher transfers:

Butkevich, Jaime – from Washington 4 to Math Coach, effective 01/02/13.
Shagensky, Robert – from Chase 4 to Math Coach, effective 01/02/13.

- e. Retirements:

Tapper, Jeannette – Gilmartin grade 4, effective 01/01/13.

- f. Resignations:

Svensson, Robin – Washington/Regan Library Media Specialist, 12/3/12.

ADJOURNMENT into Executive Session at 8:02 p.m. for discussion concerning strategy and negotiations with respect to collective bargaining AND for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Present were President Stango, Commissioners Brown, Hayes, Rodriguez, and Sweeney. Also present were Dr. Sequeira, Mrs. Cullinan, Mr. Guidone, and Mr. Frost. The Executive Session ended at 8:30 p.m. with no votes taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education