

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the July 12, 2012 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, June 28, 2012 at Maloney Magnet School, 233 South Elm Street, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:44 p.m.

PRESENT: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, D'Amelio, Flaherty-Merritt (6:28), Harkins, Harvey, Hayes (6:24), Morales (6:24), Sweeney, and Van Stone.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Ouellette, Assistant Superintendents Cullinan and Sequeira, Chief Operating Officer Paul Guidone, Director of Personnel Ron Frost, and Attorney Maurice Mosley.

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 Mr. James Sanders

1. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Request of the Brooklyn Neighborhood Association for a memorial to be placed on the Duggan School property honoring the 1955 Flood victims – P. Guidone, Frank Perrella. *Association bought memorial; O & G will donate cement for base.*

ADDED: 1a. Request of Mr. Sanders for a planter with three cherry trees in circle of Reed School – Paul Guidone, James Sanders.

2. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Discussion: Racial Imbalance Report – P. Guidone, M. Mosley, G. D'Agostino. *If schools are over by 25% then the State requires a plan.*

3. Committee on Rules & Regulations/20 minutes ~ Request approval of the revised Discipline Policy – A. M. Cullinan, et al. (Mr. Yamin, Ms. Brown, Ms. Skoronski) *Title has changed to "Safe School and Positive Climate Handbook".*

14. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval for Alice Daly and Yolanda Lee-Gorishti of CHS to apply for the Toshiba America Foundation Grants for Science and Math Education – ~~L. Allen Brown~~. (Alice Daly, Yolanda Lee Gorishti)

The Board recessed the Workshop at 7:43 p.m. to conduct a Special Meeting and returned at 8:06 p.m.

4. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of a contract with Advanced Physical Therapy to provide in-school high school athletic trainer services – J. German. (Paul Guidone)
5. Committee on Building/5 minutes ~ Request approval to accept the Sprague Roof Project as complete – J. Cross.
6. Committee on Schoolhouses/10 minutes ~ Discussion: summer work plans – P. Guidone, J. Cross.
7. Committee on Personnel/10 minutes ~ Request approval to adjust shortage area hiring authority – P. Guidone, R. Frost. *Due to shortage areas it was requested to authorize Superintendent to hire up to step 6, instead of step 3, prior to Board authorization.*
8. Committee on Personnel/5 minutes ~ Request approval of the job specifications for extra-curricular position of NVCC College Connection High School Coordinator – A. M. Cullinan, R. Frost. *Three positions total.*
9. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval to apply for the U. S. Department of Education’s “Upward Bound Math/Science Grant” – Dr. Sequeira, L. Allen-Brown.
10. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval to participate with Central Connecticut State University in the U. S. Department of Education’s Upward Bound Math/Science Grant – Dr. Sequeira, L. Allen Brown.
11. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval to apply for the Connecticut State Department of Education’s “K – 3 Literacy Initiative Grant” **(consensus needed)** – Dr. Sequeira, L. Allen Brown. *Consensus given.*
12. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval to apply for the CSDE’s “Family Resource Center/School District Wrap-around Services Initiative Grant” **(consensus needed)** – A. M. Cullinan, L. Allen Brown. *Consensus given.*
13. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed) ~ Request approval to apply for the CSDE’s “21st Century Community Learning Centers Afterschool Grant” – Dr. Sequeira, L. Allen Brown.
15. Committee on Legislation/15 minutes ~ Request approval of the submission of the following resolution proposals to CABE: - Commissioner Sweeney
 1. Resolution regarding ECS Grants for Alliance Districts
 2. Resolution regarding Excess Cost Grant/Cost Cap
 3. Resolution regarding Excess Cost Grant/Local Contribution
 4. Resolution regarding Maintenance Grants

5. Resolution regarding School Construction Grants
6. Resolution regarding special Education Burden of Proof
16. Committee on School Activities/5 minutes ~
 - a. Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
 - b. Use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests.
17. Superintendent's Notification to the Board/5 minutes
 - a. Athletic appointments effective immediately:
Scialla, Marlena – Assistant Cheerleader Coach, KHS.
Steinfeld, Kara – Head Cheerleader Coach, KHS.
 - b. Retirements:
Albini, Anthony J. – Science Teacher, CHS, effective 06/30/12.
Jerome, Teri E. – Kindergarten, Bunker Hill School, effective 06/30/12.
Rossi, David J. – English Teacher, KHS, effective 06/30/12.
Sugrue, Robert – Math Teacher, WHS, effective 06/30/12
 - c. Resignations:
Green-Lee, Frances L – Grade 3, Driggs School, effective 06/30/12.
Rae Leach, Kelsey – Grade 7 Science, NEMS, effective 06/30/12.
Scully, Kathleen – Guidance Counselor, Bucks Hill School, eff. 06/30/12.
Wilkins, Deborah – Math Teacher, WSMS, effective 06/29/12.

ADJOURNMENT into Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Present were: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, Flaherty-Merritt, Harkins, Harvey, Hayes, Sweeney, and Van Stone. Also present was Dr. Ouellette.

The Executive Session ended at 10:30 p.m. with no votes taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education