

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the February 20, 2020 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, February 6, 2020, Kennedy High School, 422 Highland Avenue, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: President Pagano, Commissioners Brown, Harvey, Hernandez, Orso (left at 6:39 p.m.), Serrano-Adorno, Stango, Sweeney, Jason Van Stone (5:35 p.m.), and Tom Van Stone (5:44 p.m.).

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Verna D. Ruffin, Chief Financial Officer Doreen Biolo, Assistant Superintendent Janice Epperson, Deputy Superintendent Greg Rodríguez, and Chief Academic Officer Darren Schwartz.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: Vivian Bunker/KHS and Reis Muccino/KHS.

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

A.G.E.N.D.A

SILENT PRAYER

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. Committee of the Whole/20 minutes ~ Principal's Report (no backup) – Robert Johnston. *PowerPoint presented.*

Commissioner Jason Van Stone arrived at 5:35 p.m.

Commissioner Tom Van Stone arrived at 5:44 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKING – there were no public speakers.

2. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to apply for the Connecticut State Department of Education Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Secondary Supplemental Enhancement Grant – ~~L. Allen Brown, M. Merati.~~ (Darren Schwartz)
3. Committee on Finances/5 minutes ~ Request approval of Amendment 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Access Rehab Centers, LLC for speech and language therapy services – K. Gabrielson.
4. Committee on Finances ~ FYI – December Monthly Expenditure Report – D. Biolo.

5. Committee of the Whole/15 minutes ~ Report: Chronic Absenteeism/Discipline (to be distributed) – Dr. Rodriguez, J. Davis. (Kathy Gabrielson) *PowerPoint distributed and discussed.*

Commissioner Orso left at 6:39 p.m.

6. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ FYI: Memorandum of Understanding with Post University for Early College High School Program (ECHSP) – Dr. Ruffin.
7. Committee on Building & School Facilities/3 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments – ~~W. Clark~~. (Doreen Biolo)
8. Committee on Building & School Facilities/3 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests – ~~W. Clark~~. (Doreen Biolo) *Questions were asked about incomplete applications.*

9. SUPERINTENDENT’S UPDATE TO THE BOARD

10. Superintendent’s Notification to the Board/5 minutes:

a. Athletic appointments:

Burke, Kaitlin – KHS Head Girls Basketball Coach, eff. 12/21/2019.
 Dickey, Ryan – KHS Assistant Boys Swimming coach, eff. 12/21/2019.
 Doyle, Jessica – KHS Lead Unified Sports Coach, eff. 12/21/2019.
 Imperato, Christian – WHS Freshman Boys Basketball Coach, eff. 01/17/2020.
 McDonald, Ryan – WCA Assistant Indoor Track Coach, eff. 01/17/2020.
 Sylvester, David – WCA Head indoor Track Coach, eff. 01/17/2020.
 Tehan, Kyle – CHS Spring Strength & Conditioning Coach, eff. 03/21/2020.
 Tehan, Kyle – CHS Winter Strength & Conditioning Coach, eff. 01/07/2020.
 Watts, Courtney – NEMS Boys Basketball Coach, effective 12/12/2019.

b. Appointments:

Doolan, Heidi – Play Director, Carrington School.
 Joyce, Angela – KHS Edgenuity Site Coordinator.

c. Grant Funded appointments:

Bustamante-Murillo, Lady – Instructional Tutor, Sprague, \$25 p/hr, non-union and without benefits, funded by Title I.
 Montgomery, Asia – Classroom Aide, Adult Education, \$16.98 p/hr, non-union and without benefits.
 Santovasi, Raymond – NEMS 21st Century After School Program, Teacher.
 Skipp, Ashley – School Social Worker, Catholic Academy, part-time, \$33 p/hr, non-union and without benefits, funded by Title I.
 Torres, Olga – Secretary II, Special Education Department, full-time, salary and benefits governed by UPSEU.

d. State Department of Education Afterschool Program appointments, salary according to contract:

Chase Park House	Volikas, Katherine	Administrator
	Brown, Charlene	Teacher

	DeSanto, Christine	Teacher
	Violette-White, Danielle	Teacher
	Hanas, Karen	Teacher Sub
<i>Hopeville School</i>	Ponte, Debra	Administrator
	Azar-Brandes, Maria	Administrator Sub
	Lanza, Erika	Administrator Sub
	Kirchberger, Allison	Teacher
	Mastrianni, Jason	Teacher
	Paternostro, Gina	Teacher
	Wells, Kelley	Teacher Sub
<i>Kingsbury School</i>	Pesce, Margaruite	Administrator
	Bisaillon, Bret	Teacher
	Hamel, Claire	Teacher
	Lombardo, Kiley	Teacher
	Radzimirski, Abigail	Teacher
	Larkin, Brian	Teacher
<i>Wallace Middle</i>	Pogodzienski, Marcy	Administrator
	Ferrucci, Kathleen	Administrator Sub
	Davitt-Wells, Robin	Teacher
	Mucciacciaro, Kathryn	Teacher
	Terenzi, Timothy	Teacher
<i>West Side Middle</i>	Glass, Rosalyn	Administrator
	Tolman, James	Administrator Sub
	Oliveira, Gustavo	Teacher
	Rodriguez, Alberto	Teacher
	Scurso, Laurie	Teacher
	Bozzo, Tanya	Teacher Sub
	Corbo, Sarah	Teacher Sub
	Nowek, Michael	Teacher Sub
<i>Wilson School</i>	Rosser, Jennifer	Administrator
	Coelho, Dana	Administrator Sub
	Donahue, Jamie	Teacher
	Feest, Katie	Teacher
	Vega, Betzaida	Teacher
	Hanas, Karen	Teacher Sub

e. Waterbury Career Academy Student Selection Committee appointments:

Jill Diorio	Lisa Fenn	Lynn Ogilvy
Alberto Rodriguez	Miriam Wilson	Emily Wengertsman

f. Waterbury Arts Magnet School Smarter Balanced/NGSS After School Program appointments:

Crane, Monique – Math	DiTillo, Lori – ELA
Dojnia, Melissa – ELA	Lanza, Jessica – ELA
Ramirez-Valdez, Layra – Science	Therhault, Patricia – Science

g. High School SAT Preparation Program Appointments funded by Title IV:

School	Last Name	First Name	Subject
Crosby	Kollchaku	Nikoleta	Math

Crosby	Mussli	Zamira	Math
Kennedy	Cybart-Persenaire	Alena	Math
Kennedy	Edwards	Kevin	Math
WAMS	Baker	Bryan	Science
WAMS	Brady	Joseph	Math
WAMS	Ospalek	Patrick	English
WAMS	Sawyers	Hillary	Math
WCA	Perugini	Ellen	Math
WCA	Riley	Kara	English
Wilby	Ursino	Anthony	Math
Wilby	Zappone	Evette	English

h. Teacher new hires:

<u>Name</u>		<u>Assignment</u>		<u>Effective</u>
Carbone	Mikaela	Kennedy	English	02/03/2020
Fort	Ashley	Reed	Gr. 6	01/21/2020
Liang	Daixen	WCA	Math	12/12/2019

i. Resignations:

Miller, Megan – NEMS ELA, effective 01/17/2020.
Pelosi, Emily – WMS Math, effective 01/31/2020.
Vinca, Valmira – Reed School Grade 2, effective 02/05/2020.

j. Retirements:

Arroyo, Silvia – Driggs ESL, effective 06/30/2020.
Costa, Maria – WSMS Special Education, effective 06/30/2020.
DiChiara, Nori – Tinker School Kindergarten, effective 03/26/2020.
Domizio, Johna – WSMS Library Media Specialist, effective 06/30/2020.
Febles, Maria – CHS Spanish, effective 03/31/2020.
Gadea-Ballardin, Bunker Hill ESL, effective 06/30/2020.
Hermes, Joanne – KHS Social Studies, effective 06/30/2020.
Lepper, Mary – W. Cross Literacy Facilitator, effective 06/30/2020.
Mulligan, Renee – KHS Guidance Counselor, effective 06/30/2020.
Santoro, Elizabeth – WHS ELA, effective 06/30/2020.
Wilson, Miriam – NEMS Reading, effective 06/30/2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – the Board convened into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and returned at 7:35 p.m. with no votes taken. Present were President Pagano, Commissioners Brown, Harvey, Hernandez, Serrano-Adorno, Stango, Sweeney, Jason Van Stone, Tom Van Stone, and Superintendent Ruffin.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST: 
Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education