Approved **Minutes #10/10/12**

GATEWAY REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2012

Montgomery Town Hall
7:30 P.M.

(A PORTION OF THIS MEETING MAY BE HELD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION)

I. OPENING OF MEETING

BLANDFORD	CHESTER	HUNTINGTON	MIDDLEFIELD
Michele Crane		William Hathaway	Sarah Foley
Jim Kronholm			

MONTGOMERY	RUSSELL	WORTHINGTON	SECRETARY
Anne Marie Buikus	Ellen Hirtle	Sue Levreault	Stacy Stewart
Sandra Haas	Ruth Kennedy	Gretchen Eliason	

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION
Dr. David B. Hopson, Superintendent
Stephanie Fisk, Business & Finance

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
Elizabeth Bienia, Chs, Lit, MS Assistant Principal
Joanne Blocker, Director of Academics
Angela Burke, Technology Director
Megan Coburn, Chs, Lit, MS Principal
Jason Finnie, High, Jr. High School Principal
Wendy Long, District Grant Writer
Celeste Malvezzi, High/Jr. High Assistant Principal
Alice Taverna, Pupil Services Director

OTHERS:_____

7:35 p.m. II. PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA - None

III. STUDENT COUNCIL INPUT - None

IV. CONSENT ITEMS 9/26/12 (Enc.)

Mrs. Levreault made a motion seconded by Mrs. Hirtle to approve the minutes of 9/26/12.

Motion Carried (VOTE) Yeas 7 Nays Abstain 3 Absent

V. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/RECOGNITIONS - None

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Student Representative - None

B. School Committee - None

C. Chairperson

- Mrs. Eliason ran this meeting
- She reminded everyone of the upcoming Special Meeting regarding Roles and Responsibility on October 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the main complex library.
- Mrs. Eliason asked for an executive session.

Mrs. Levreault made a motion seconded by Mrs. Hirtlen to go into executive session at or before 8:55 p.m. for the purpose for negotiations update not to return to opens session.

Motion Carried (VOTE) Yeas 10 Nays Abstain Absent

Yeas: Bill, Ann- Marie, Sandra, Sarah, Michele, Ellen, Jim, Sue, Ruth, Gretchen

D. Superintendent – Central Office Update (Enc.)

- Dr. Hopson said that ten teachers indicated interest on being on the teacher evaluation committee. We are waiting for association to appoint the committee.
- Mrs. Eliason asked how many teachers, and administrators are on the committee
- Dr. Hopson said ten teachers and as many administrators as want to be on it. The ten teachers will receive a stipend.

E. Business Manager

- The quarterly report will be included in the next packet

F. Administration - None

VII. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTING

A. Superintendent's Evaluation

- Mmet tonight and reviewed direction for the November meeting. Finalized guidelines for filling out survey. You will have until Dec 5 to complete the survey.

B. Finance Subcommittee

- Working on benchmarking project.

C. Policy Subcommittee

- On agenda

VIII. OLD BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

A. Regional Agreement Amendments

- Mrs. Levreault said Worthington is still not ready. Documents have been given to council and they are at a standstill.
- Mrs. Eliason asked if we are expecting a certain response.
- Dr. Hopson would suspect that by the next meeting we should hear something from the state. The changes were very similar to the last changes.

B. Vote to approve Mrs. Kennedy as delegate for November 7 MASC/MASS Joint Conference

Mrs. Levreault made a motion seconded by Mrs. Buikus to approve Mrs. Kennedy as our delegate for the November 7 MASC/MASS Joint Conference.

Motion Carried (VOTE) Yeas 8 Nays 2 Abstain Absent

IX. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

A. Policy changes to: (Enc.)

Executive Session BEC
Non-discrimination AC
Non-discrimination On The Basis Of Sex ACA
Equal Employment Opportunity GBA
Professional Staff Hiring GCF
Instructional Materials IJ
Equal Educational Opportunities JB
Student-To-Student Harrassment JBA
School Choice JFBB
School Choice JFBB-1
Emergency Plans EBC

Student Health Services And Requirements
Video/Audio Taping of TEAM Meetings

- Mrs. Elisaon said most of the changes for gender identity. She read all the policies that are being changed.
- Mrs. Eliason went over the gender identity statute.
- Executive session emergency plans, student health services and requirements are the ones not changed by gender identity.
- Mrs. Eliason read executive session, emergency plans, and student health services and requirements changes.
- Mrs. Sobotka asked if staff members were trained on the AED.
- Dr. Hopson and Mrs. Stewart said many staff members have been trained, including wellness center staff are.

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Future Agenda Items

XI. INFORMATION

Information

Superntendent's Corner September 28, 2012
Gateway Senior Photos
Gateway to offer Guiding Good Choices
Gateway continues moving forward to address performance gaps
October School Committee Meetings
Early Release Day October 16
Bolduc, Vorwerk earn National Merit® Commendation
Birds of Pray progam inspires 6th graders
2012 PSAT/NMSQT Exam
Schools Closed for Columbus Day
Chester Elementary School PTO Heating Oil Raffle Help Heat your Home and Support Students
Superintendent's Corner September 21, 2012
Gateway's water system wins taste test

Warrants

AP#	1026	$222,954.82	PR# 07 $371,281.78
AP#	1029	$44.00	
AP#	1027	$181,093.08	
AP#	1032	$26,685.20	

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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XIII. ADJOURNMENT at 10 p.m. unless extended by majority vote.

Mrs. Levreault made a motion seconded by Mrs. Crane to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Stacy L. Stewart
School Committee Secretary