

# WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

## *Committee Meeting Minutes*

Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the April 2, 2015 Board Meeting)

### **COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at Rotella Magnet School, Café, 380 Pierpont Road, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:33 p.m.

**PRESENT:** President Stango, Commissioners Awwad, Brown, Harvey, Hernandez (left at 6:51 p.m.), McEntee (left at 7:47 p.m.), Rodriguez, Sweeney, J. Van Stone, and T. Van Stone.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chief Academic Officer Anne Marie Cullinan (left at 7:57 p.m.), Chief Operating Officer & Chief of Staff Paul Guidone, 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:

### **A G E N D A**

#### **SILENT PRAYER**

#### **PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

1. Committee of the Whole/30 minutes ~ Principal's Report <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup> (no backup) – Robin Henry. *Students gave a broadcast from their studio.*
2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
  - a. Committee of the Whole/20 minutes ~ Discussion: Waterbury Diversion Referral Agreement and Student Arrest Update <sup>[BFC: G3/O3]</sup> – ~~Dr. Ouellette, Superintendent of Schools~~; A. M. Cullinan, Chief Academic Officer; Nieka Thompson, Staff Attorney, Connecticut Legal Services, Inc.; M. Burns, WSMS Principal; Jason Szanyi, Staff Attorney, Center for Children's Law and Policy; Jill Schoenfuss, Director of Operations, Waterbury Youth Services, Inc; and Waterbury Police Department. (Police Chief Riddick, Chris Corbett)

*Commissioner Hernandez left at 6:51 p.m.*

- b. Committee on Policy/10 minutes ~ Discussion: School Attire (5132) Policy <sup>[BFC: G3/O1]</sup> – K. Walston, High School Principals. (M. Buerkle, L. Elias, J. Gopie, R. Johnston, L. Padua)

*Commissioner McEntee left at 7:47 p.m.*

3. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Request approval of Amendment #1 to the Agreement with Montagno Construction, Inc. for Middle

School/High Schools Finish Hardware Improvements <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup> – P. Guidone, J. Herman, O & G. (Bruce Turbacuski)

4. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Request approval of Amendment #1 to the Agreement with Utility Communications, Inc. for School District Security Improvements <sup>[BFC: G3]</sup> – P. Guidone, J. Herman, O & G.

Mrs. Cullinan left at 7:57 p.m.

5. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to apply for the 2015-16 School Readiness Grant – Local Application <sup>[BFC: G2/O4]</sup> – P. Moran.
6. Committee of the Whole/5 minutes ~ Request approval of a new after-school program for Reed's Family Resource Center entitled Creative Art Club <sup>[BFC: G3/O3]</sup> – E. Racine.
7. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Discussion: Waterbury Teachers Association <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup> (no backup) – K. Egan.
8. Committee on Policy/10 minutes ~ Discussion: Board of Education/Superintendent's Classification of Duties as it relates to approval and/or submittal of grant applications <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup> – Commissioner Brown.
9. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Jeanne Sasso, KHS, and four chaperones to take 50 students to Jackson, NJ on April 30, 2015 to visit Six Flags <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
10. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Cassandra Fann-Pierce, KHS, and five chaperones to take 50 students to New York, NY on May 27, 2015 to visit the Museum of FIT and Behind the Emerald Curtains <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
11. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Joann D'Angelo, WAMS, and four chaperones to take 50 students to New York, NY on May 12, 2015 to visit The Metropolitan Museum of Art <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
12. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Debbie Benjamin, WAMS, and four chaperones to take 45 students to New York, NY on May 15, 2015 to visit the Statute of Liberty, Macy's Behind The Scenes Market Tour, and Uno Restaurant <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
13. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Cheryl Wirth, WAMS, and four chaperones to take 50 students to New York, NY on April 30, 2015 to visit Radio City Music Hall <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
14. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Heidi Doolan, WHS, and three chaperones to take 36 students to New York, NY on March 19, 2015 to attend a performance of "Phantom of the Opera" <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.
15. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Robert Haxhi, WHS, and four chaperones to take 49 students to Philadelphia, PA from May 27 – 29, 2015 to visit various sites (see itinerary) <sup>[BFC: G2/O1]</sup>.

16. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup>.

17. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by outside organization and/or waiver requests <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup>.

18. Superintendent's Notification to the Board/5 minutes: <sup>[BFC: n/a]</sup>

a. Appointments

Begnal, Joseph Jr. – TEAM District Facilitator.

**Added:** Theriault, Michael – SOAR to Success Summer School Coordinator.

**Add:** Athletic appointments effective immediately:

Poulter, Craig – Assistant Baseball Coach, KHS.

b. Grant Funded appointments:

Zimmerman, Tyrel – Behavior Technician, WHS, \$27.74 p/hour, 35 hours p/week for 10 months, non-union with benefits governed by UPSEU, funded by Title I.

c. Rod Dixon Kid's Marathon Run Club Mentor/Coordinator appointments, \$500 stipend funded by the U.S. Conference of Mayor's Grant:

DeFazio, Alana – Kingsbury

Hanley, Jessica – Wendell Cross

Heidgerd, Angela – Rotella

Martinez, Kristina – Sprague

Nowacki, Jennifer – WMS

Sidella, David – WMS

Tucker, Ann – Sprague

Vernucci, Jennifer – WSMS

d. Teacher hires:

Name		Location	Assignment	Eff.	Salary
Abraham	Roxanne L.	WMS	Phys. Educ.	3/2/15	BA/1
Howard	Emily A.	Bucks Hill	Pre-K	3/2/15	BA/2
Hokanson	Jamie L.	NEMS, WMS, WHS	Social Worker	3/30/15	6 <sup>th</sup> /3
Murphy	Heather L.	Maloney	Tchr. Hearing Imp.	3/23/15	MA/10
O'Flaherty	Carol A.	Duggan	Spec. Educ.	3/20/15	MA/6

**ADJOURNMENT** at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:   
Carrie A. Swain, Clerk  
Board of Education