

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, June 25, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Rotella Magnet School, 380 Pierpont Road, Waterbury, Connecticut

PRESENT: President Hayes, Commissioners Flaherty-Merritt, Harvey, Petteway, Stango, Sweeney, Theriault, Uriano, and White.

ABSENT: Commissioner Geremia.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Snead, Assistant Superintendent Cullinan, Assistant Superintendent Sequeira, Chief Operating Officer Paul Guidone, Director of Personnel Ron Frost, School Business Administrator Paul Mazzaccaro, Attorney Maurice Mosley, and School Inspector Herbert Greengas.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:54 p.m. with a moment of silence and a prayer and Superintendent Snead led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

CLERK: Commissioner Flaherty-Merritt.

FLAHERTY-MERRITT: Present

CLERK: Commissioner Geremia – Absent.

CLERK: Commissioner Harvey.

HARVEY: Here

CLERK: Commissioner Petteway.

PETTEWAY: Here.

CLERK: Commissioner Stango.

STANGO: Here.

CLERK: Commissioner Sweeney.

SWEENEY: Here.

CLERK: Commissioner Theriault.

THERIAULT: Here.

CLERK: Commissioner Uriano.

URIANO: Here.

CLERK: Commissioner White.

WHITE: Here.

CLERK: President Hayes.

HAYES: Here.

REPORTS

1. COMMITTEE ON BUILDING

- 1.1 Upon a motion by Commissioner White and duly seconded by Commissioner Harvey, it was voted unanimously to approve an agreement with Fusco Corporation to provide construction management services for the New Elementary School #1 Project – Duggan Site.**

HAYES: Motion made and seconded. Any discussion? Hearing none – all in favor, opposed, motion passes unanimously.

- 1.2 Upon a motion by Commissioner White and duly seconded by Commissioner Theriault, it was voted unanimously to approve an agreement with Dimeo Construction Company to provide construction management services for the New Elementary School #2 Project - North End Site.**

HAYES: Motion made and seconded. Any discussion? Hearing none – all in favor, opposed, motion passes unanimously.

- 1.3 Upon a motion by Commissioner White and duly seconded by Commissioner Harvey, it was voted unanimously to approve and agreement with Morganti Group, Inc., to provide construction management services for the New Elementary School #3 Project- Gilmartin Site.**

HAYES: Motion made and seconded. Any discussion?

THERIAULT: I just think with regard to the overall project with Gilmartin, even though they are going to tear the school down I think the overall project at Gilmartin has been done very well. They did take into consideration all our suggestions and I am especially grateful that they took a close look at that egress into the school. I was there for three

years and I know what a bottleneck it is . . . for them to have the foresight to really look at that, consciously take a look at it, I think it will make a tremendous, tremendous difference in terms of getting those buses in, getting those buses out, and getting the parents in and out relatively quickly. You're not looking at a school now that's gonna be 200 to 250 kids, you're looking at a school that's 550. So we're, and unfortunately a lot of those kids, as I said before, are not in that neighborhood so they're going to have to be bused to that school. But they're going to get an outstanding school and they're going to get, architecturally I think a very good design. I'm sorry I missed a couple of meetings but I had an illness . . . but from what I could see the design, the only thing I'm a little disappointed in is the, I'd like to get those students out of there, get that school done. So I think the Building Committee needs to take another look at that because I don't think we need those students there . . . if the students are there . . . rather than do this in phases that's the only thing I kind of take umbrage with in tearing down part of the building and having the students stay there and then tearing down the second part of it but maybe we can work that out as we go down the line. But all in all I think it went very well, the meetings were very open and honest and everyone had their opportunity to say what they wanted to say, agree or disagree. I'm particularly impressed with the Gilmartin site, the architecture, and the way the overall process went.

HAYES: Basically we're just voting on the construction manager at this point. Is there any other comments, discussion? Hearing none – all in favor, opposed, motion passes unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Commissioner White, and duly seconded by Commissioner Flaherty-Merritt, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education

Resolutions signed by Mayor Michael J. Jarjura on July 2, 2007