

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 9, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the November 16, 2009 Regular Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Monday, November 9, 2009 at Tinker School, 809 Highland Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:39 p.m.

PRESENT: Vice President White, Commissioners D'Angelo, Flaherty-Merritt, Harvey, O'Leary, Stango, Sweeney, and Theriault.

ABSENT: President Hayes and Commissioner Laccone.

ALSO PRESENT: Assistant Superintendents Cullinan and Sequeira, Chief Operating Officer Paul Guidone, Director of Personnel Ron Frost, Attorney Maurice Mosley, Education Liaison Mary Ann Marold, and School Inspector Herbert Greengas.

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

1. ~~Committee of the Whole/3 minutes: Superintendent's Report – Dr. Snead.~~
2. Committee of the Whole/30 minutes: Principal's Report/school building tour – L. Elias. (Kevin Eagen)

The Board toured the building beginning at 5:53 p.m. and returned at 6:12 p.m.

3. Committee on Transportation/30 minutes: Discussion: Bussing issues – N. O'Leary, Durham Bus Services (Pam Pratt, Marlene Smith), J. Hunter, et al.
4. Committee on Building/5 minutes: Request approval of Amendment #1 to the Construction Contract with Suburban Middlesex Insulation, Inc. for asbestos abatement for the Duggan School Project – P. Guidone, O & G. (Bruce Turbacuski)
5. Committee on Building/5 minutes: Request approval of a contract with S/L/A/M for architectural services for the New High School Project – P. Guidone, O & G. (Scott Baillie)

6. Committee of the Whole/5 minutes: Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Central Naugatuck Valley RSVP (pending approval as to form by Corporation Counsel) – N. Vaughan.
7. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed): Request approval to apply for the 2009-2010 KnowHow2GO Connecticut Post Secondary Access and Success Grant – L. Allen- Brown.
8. Committee on Grants/5 minutes (if needed): Request approval to participate in the MSP Grant with Sacred Heart University (consensus needed) – Dr. Sequeira, V. Chaudhuri. *Consensus given.*
9. Committee on Grants/5 minutes: Request approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Education Connection-Center for Collaborative Evaluation and Strategic Change, to provide evaluation services as outlined in the Safe and Drug Free Schools Carol M. White PEP Grant – Dr. Sequeira, J. Gorman.
10. Committee on Grants/5 minutes: Request approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Police Activity League of Waterbury, Inc., to provide services/equipment as outlined in the Safe and Drug Free Schools Carol M. White PEP Grant – Dr. Sequeira, J. Gorman.
11. Committee on Grants/5 minutes: Request approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Greater Waterbury Young Men's Christian Association Inc., to provide services/equipment as outlined in the Safe and Drug Free Schools Carol M. White PEP Grant – Dr. Sequeira, J. Gorman.
12. Committee on School Personnel/5 minutes: Request approval of the job specifications for and new position of Pre-Kindergarten Literacy Coach (Title I funded).
13. 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/waiver requests.
 - c. Request permission be granted to V. De Paulo/A. Frenis, and one chaperone to take 30 students to Manhattan, NY on April 20, 2010 to visit 97 Orchard Street (tenement house).
 - d. Request permission be granted to M. Ruby/S. Serafine/M. Vagnini, and two chaperones to take 49 students to Boston, MA on December 2, 2009 to visit the Museum of Science.
14. Superintendent's Notification to the Board/5 minutes:
 - a. Athletic appointments effective immediately:
Caouette, Crystal – Cheerleading Coach, WMS.
Mead, Christine – Head Swim Coach, WSMS.
 - b. Athletic resignations effective immediately:
Perriello, Robert – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, CHS.

c. Grant funded appointments:

- Berger, Jeffrey J. – ARRA Professional Development Coordinator, 19 hours per week at \$19.81 per hour, no benefits.
 Carlson, Danielle – Title I Instructional Tutor, Brooklyn School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week @ \$30 per hour, no benefits.
 Cavicchi, Kathryn – Title I Instructional Tutor, Driggs School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week @ \$30 per hour, no benefits.
 Fac, Elizabeth – Walsh Before/After School Program, Teacher, salary according to contract, funded by Priority Schools Grant.
 Ijomah, Kathryn – Title I Instructional Tutor, Chase School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week @ \$30 per hour, no benefits.
 Johnson, Abdalla – Prevention Specialist, NEMS, 10 months per year, 35 hours per week, \$735.35 weekly with benefits governed by the SEIU Agreement.
 Knightly, Michele – Title I Instructional Tutor, Chase School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week @ \$30 per hour, no benefits.
 Nichols, Aurea – Walsh Before/After School Program, Assistant, \$10.00 per hour, funded by Priority Schools Grant.
 Okoski, Karen A. – Title I Instructional Tutor, Driggs School, 10 months per year, maximum of 18 hours per week @ \$30 per hour, no benefits.
 Pinto, Antonio P. – ARRA Project Manager, \$75,000 annually with benefits governed by the WMAA Agreement.
 Walker, Bernice – Walsh Before/After School Program, Assistant, \$10.00 per hour, funded by Priority Schools Grant.

d. TPTA appointments, two hours per day (with bus duty 3 hours per day), four days per week, salary according to contract:

Jennifer Hernandez-Dwyer, Substitute Lead Teacher, Generali School.

e. Teacher new hires:

74	Messner, Patricia	CHS	Science	MA+15	3	11/2/2009
75	Adams, Jeffrey	CHS	ROTC	MA		9/29/2009
76	Blevins, Heather	DW	Psychologist	6th	1	9/11/2009

f. Retirements:

Cetrone, Joseph D. – CHS Special Education, effective July 1, 2010.

g. Adult Education appointments effective immediately:

- Christiano, Natalie, Classroom Aide (replacement), 20 hours per week @ \$21.50 p/hour.
 D'Amelio, Justine, Classroom Aide (replacement), 20 hours per week @ \$21.50 p/hour.
 Monaco, Meagan – substitute, as needed @ \$29.00 p/hour.

h. Leave of absence requests:

- Agostine-Smith, Nina – WAMS Theater, requesting an unpaid childrearing leave of absence from 11/16/09 through 06/30/10.
 Ryan, Diane – Sprague/Bucks Hill ESL, requesting an unpaid childrearing leave of absence from 11/16/09 through 01/04/10.

Strachan, Andrea – Generali Grade 3, requesting and unpaid childrearing leave of absence from 12/10/09 through 12/23/09.

~~**EXECUTIVE SESSION** for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, appointment, employment, performance, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee~~ **CANCELLED.**

ADJOURNMENT - The Committee meetings adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education