

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the October 17, 2013 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, October 10, 2013 at Carrington School, 24 Kenmore Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:42 p.m.

PRESENT: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, Harvey, Hayes, Rodriguez, Sweeney, and Van Stone.

ABSENT: Commissioners D'Amelio and Morales.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Ouellette, Special Advisor to the Superintendent Dr. Paul Sequeira, 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 led by students Cailyn and Kyleigh Gorman.

1. Committee of the Whole/30 minutes ~ Principal's Report – Mr. Kevin Brennan. (Karen Renna/SVP; students LoJean Elsayed, Merna Dimtry, and Braeden Gorman)
2. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of the submission of the Consolidated Two-year Federal Grant Application – L. Riddick Barron. *Increase in poverty numbers questioned.*
3. Committee on Finance/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to apply for the Connecticut State Department of Education Reform District K-8 Science Improvement Grant (consensus needed) – L. Allen Brown. *Consensus given.*

ADD:

- 3a. Committee on Finance: Request approval for the Waterbury Public Schools, via the Mayor's Task Force Against Substance Abuse, to apply for Local Prevention Council Program funds through the Central Naugatuck Valley Regional Action Council.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- a. *Committee of the Whole/15 minutes* ~ Report: GEAR UP Program – Dr. Sequeira, et al. (Kathy Taylor/Associate Dean; David Celotto/GEAR Up Director; Steve Alexandrou, Coordinator/WMS; Elvis Vasquez, Coordinator/NEMS; and Blayre Millo, Coordinator/WSMS) *Program is now available at Gilmartin, Duggan, and Reed.*
- b. *Committee of the Whole/30 minutes* ~ Report: Enrollment – P. Guidone. *Enlightenment enrollment questioned; magnet school minority participation questioned.*

5. **Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes** ~

- a. Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
- b. Use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests.

6. **Superintendent's Notification to the Board/5 minutes:**

a. Grant funded appointments effective immediately:

Alvarado, Melanie – Truancy Prevention Specialist, Enlightenment, 10 months, 35 hours p/week, \$30,000 annually, non-union position with benefits governed by the SEIU Agreement, funded by Consolidated Grants.

Matos, Anna – Substitute Pre-k Bus Driver, on-call @ \$13.01 per hour, funded by Title I grant.

McWeeney, Linda – Career Technology Educational Liaison, WHS, 35 weeks, 15 hours p/week @ \$30 p/hour, non-union and without benefits, funded by Carl Perkins grant.

Morikis, Grammato Tzepos – Elementary Instructional Tutor, Duggan, 10 months p/year, 18 hours p/week @ \$32 p/hour, non-union and without benefits, funded by Title I.

Steffero, Melissa – Positive Youth Development Leader, Reed School, 10 months, 15 hours p/week @ \$15.00 p/hour, non-union and without benefits, funded by the Reed Family Resource Center Grant.

ADD: Liguz, Anna – Elementary Instructional Tutor, Sprague, 10 months p/year, 18 hours p/week \$32 p/hour, non-union and without benefits, funded by Title I.

b. Extended School Hours (ESH) Program Appointments, salary according to individual's contract:

| <u>SCHOOL</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASSIGNMENT</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Chase | Razza, Angela | Administrator |
| | Calabrese, Matthew | Administrator |
| | Salvia, Carol | Clerical |
| | Matthews, Steven | Teacher |
| | Silva, Nancy | Teacher |
| | Cavallo, Angelica | Teacher |
| | Argenta, Lauren | Teacher-Substitute |
| | Holmes, Heather | Teacher |
| | Moffo, Laurie | Teacher |

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| Generali | Francisco, Roxann | Paraprofessional |
| | Dunlap, Laura | Paraprofessional |
| | Walling, Magaret | Paraprofessional-Substitute |
| | Verrier, Marie | Paraprofessional-Substitute |
| Hopeville | Ascencao, Sue | Clerical |
| Kingsbury | Signore, Nicole | Lead Teacher |
| | Bisaillon, Bret | Teacher |
| | Galanti, Laura | Teacher |
| | Rizzo, Lisa | Teacher |
| | Frascatore, Cassandra | Teacher-Substitute |
| | Capaldo, Christine | Teacher-Substitute |
| | Guedelha, Norma | Clerical |
| Walsh | Paris, Ana | Lead Teacher |

c. Teacher new hires:

| Name | | Location | Assignment | Effective | Grade/Step |
|-------------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------|
| Bachman | Jennifer | Bunker Hill | Spec. Ed. | 9/12/13 | BA/1 |
| Biolo | Erica | Rotella | Grade 1 | 9/26/13 | MA/1 |
| Gonzalez Casanova | Ilea | Crosby | Spanish | 8/27/13 | BA+15/2 |
| Passarella | Jennifer | Chase | Spec. Ed. | 10/7/13 | MA/3 |
| Rizzo | Lisa | Kingsbury | Grade 3 | 9/30/13 | MA/1 |
| Rosser | Amy | Carrington | Music | 8/27/13 | MA/3 |
| Summerfield | Veronica | Rotella | Grade 4 | 9/30/13 | BA/3 |
| Hill | Samantha | Bunker Hill | (correction) | | |

d. Retirements:

Howes, Thomas R. – Enlightenment, effective 12/01/13.
McGrath, Carol G. – Carrington ESL K-3, effective 10/01/13.

e. Resignations:

Medina, Robyn – Generali Grade 1, effective 10/03/13.

ADD:

6f. Athletic appointments:

Arroyo, Otto – Assistant Football Coach, WHS.
Crane, Richard – Fall Strength and Conditioning Coach, CHS.
Erdmann, Michael – Assistant Football Coach, WHS.
Salemme, Cassandra – Tennis Coordinator/Coach, Duggan.
Todd, Gregory – Freshmen Football Coach, CHS.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education