

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 5:45 p.m.

(For the January 17, 2013 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at Waterbury Arts Magnet School Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:56 p.m.

PRESENT: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, D'Amelio, Harkins, Harvey, Hayes, Morales (6:08), Rodriguez (left at 7:20), Sweeney, and Van Stone.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Ouellette, Chief Academic Officer Anne Marie Cullinan, Special Advisor to the Superintendent Dr. Paul Sequeira, Chief Operating Officer & Chief of Staff Paul Guidone, Director of Personnel Ron Frost, Attorney Maurice Mosley, 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 – Leo Lavallee. *Student Bailey Cummings performed.*
2. Committee on Building/5 minutes ~ Request approval of the ED042/Phase 1 for the Wallace Middle School Media Center Alterations and Addition Project - P. Guidone, O & G (Bruce Turbacuski) *Summer school will not be held in the building.*
3. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval for Waterbury Public Schools to act as a fiduciary for the Early Childhood Bond Funds Grant Program and Minor Capital Improvements and Wiring for Technology, via the School Readiness Program – ~~B. Tacchi~~. (Mrs. Cullinan)
4. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of a Professional Services Agreement with New Direction Solutions, Inc., d/b/a Bilingual Therapies, for bilingual psychologist services (funded by General Fund) – ~~E. Skoronski~~. (Mrs. Cullinan) *City's bilingual psychologist has become a Supervisor of Special Education.*

5. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to participate in various SDE Interdistrict Cooperative Grants with the following: Bristol Youth and Communities Program; UConn Mentor Connection; ACES, and the Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut – ~~L. Allen Brown~~. (Mrs. Cullinan) *Project Oceanology added.*
6. *SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:*
 - a. Committee of the Whole/15 minutes ~ Update: Network School Applications (no backup) – A. M. Cullinan, A. Johnson, W. Rice, D. Schwartz, K. Walston. *Dr. Ouellette reviewed the application timeline.*

Commissioner Rodriguez left at 7:20 p.m.

- b. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~Discussion: School Performance Index (SPI) (to be distributed) – A. M. Cullinan, T. Battistoni, A. Johnson, W. Rice, D. Schwartz, K. Walston.
 - c. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/10 minutes ~ Update: Building Security Assessments – P. Guidone, J. Cross, ~~WPD Representative~~.
 - d. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Discussion: Monthly Budget Report for November 2012 – P. Guidone.
 - e. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Discussion: 2013-2014 Budget Schedule – P. Guidone.
7. Committee on Legislation/10 minutes ~ Discussion: Adoption of a resolution on sequestration – Commissioner Sweeney.
 8. Committee on Legislation/10 minutes ~ Discussion: Resolution regarding expansion of GEAR Up Grant to include Waterbury's pre-k to eight schools (to be distributed) – Commissioner Sweeney.
 9. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Discussion: touring of schools at Board Workshops – Vice President Harvey.
 10. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~
 - a. Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
 11. Superintendent's Notification to the Board/5 minutes:
 - a. Athletic appointments effective immediately:
Lafferriere, Richard – Freshmen Girls' Basketball Coach, CHS.
Paradis, Sara – JV Girls' Basketball Coach, CHS.
 - b. Grant funded appointments effective immediately:
Frascadore, Cassandra – Instructional Tutor, Kingsbury School, 10 months/18 hours per week @ \$32.00 per hour, non-union/no benefits.
Rosenberg, Shira N. – Title I Instructional Tutor, Non-Public Schools (Yeshiva K'Tana), 18 hours per week @ \$32.00 per hour, non-union/no benefits.

c. Teacher new hires:

Last	First	Assignment	Subject	Hire date	Step
Ahlert	Noelle	Gilmartin	Spec Ed.	9/28/12	6th/ 2
Ashley	Lois	Kennedy	Special Ed	12/7/12	Ph.D./2
Boisvert	Emily	Generali	Library Media	11/8/12	MA/1
Centeno-Figueroa	Vasti	Reed	ESL	10/15/12	6th/1
DeSantis	Bianca	Wallace	Science	8/30/12	MA/1
Donnarumma	Caroline	NEMS	Social Studies	9/10/12	MA/1
Downey(Sessa)	Sarah	Wilby/ Wilson	Social Worker	10/16/12	6th/3
Ford	Marnee	WSMS	7th Gr. Science	1/2/13	MA/3
Hagerman	Corinne	Regan	ESL	10/1/12	MA+15/2
Holmes	Erin	WSMS	Spanish	8/23/12	MA/1
Kachur	Leigh	Reed	Pre K	11/5/12	6th/1
Lawrence	Diana	Kennedy	English	11/19/12	BA15/4
Poulos	Francesca	Crosby	Special Ed	1/2/13	Ph.D./4
Svensson	Robin	Regan/Wash.	Library Media	11/26/12	6th/1
Zylali	Rowena	Washington	ESL	11/16/12	6th/5

d. Retirements:

Bryk, Donna M. – Wallace Middle School, Special Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2013.

Diephouse, Marcia – Kennedy High School, Speech/Language Pathologist, effective July 1, 2013.

Keiser, Patti – Washington School, Kindergarten Teacher, effective July 1, 2013.

Mecca, Peter – Crosby High School, Business Teacher, effective January 24, 2013.

Talmont, Kathi H. – Wallace Middle School, Special Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2013.

e. Resignations:

Strileckis, Andrea – North End Middle School, Speech Teacher, effective January 4, 2013.

f. Teacher Transfers:

Teacher	From	To	Effective Date
N. Ahlert	Gilmartin Spec Ed	Duggan Spec Ed	1/2/2013
S. Kozlowski	Kingsbury Spec Ed	Generali Spec Ed	1/2/2013
S. Hardwick	Generali Gr 2	Generali Spec Ed	1/2/2013

ADDED:

g. ESH program appointments:

Chase: Steven Matthews – Teacher
Danielle Velodota – Teacher
Marty Augelli – Teacher
Elizabeth Sheehy – Teacher

Kingsbury: Laura Galanti – Substitute Teacher

Anthony Ciuffo – Substitute Teacher

ADJOURNMENT into Executive Session at 9:46 p.m. for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and return at 10:20 p.m. with no votes taken.

Present: President Stango, Commissioners Brown, D'Amelio, Harkins, Harvey, Hayes, Sweeney, and Van Stone. Also present were Dr. Ouellette, Mr. Guidone (left at 10:15 p.m.), and Mr. Frost (left at 10:15 p.m.).

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education