

WATERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

(For the April 3, 2014 Board Meeting)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board of Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at Crosby High School, 300 Pierpont Road, Waterbury, Connecticut, starting at 5:34 p.m.

PRESENT: President Stango, Commissioners Awwad, Brown, Harvey, Hernandez, McEntee, Rodriguez, J. Van Stone, and T. Van Stone.

ABSENT: Commissioner Hayes.

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, 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:

****REVISED - A G E N D A**

SILENT PRAYER

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. Committee of the Whole/30 minutes ~ Principal's Report (no backup) – Michael Cain. (Paul Whyte) *Crosby's various clubs and organizations gave an overview.*
2. Committee on School Personnel/10 minutes ~ Report: Interactive Health Assessment (no backup) – Dr. Tucker, Karen Lang, Sean Fitzgibbons. *306 employees participated.*
3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
 - ** c. Committee of the Whole/20 minutes ~ Update: Turnaround Schools – Paul Whyte.
 - a. Committee on School Personnel/15 minutes ~ Update: Principal Recruitment/Selection (no backup) – P. Guidone, Dr. Tucker.
 - b. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Update: Special Education enrollment (no backup) – A. M. Cullinan, M. Yamin.

4. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of Amendment Number 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with EBS Healthcare Services, Inc. dba Educational Based Services, Inc., for speech language pathology services – M. Yamin, E. Skoronski. *Concern was raised on the timeliness of the amendment.*
5. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of an Agreement with Campion Ambulance Service, Inc. to provide transportation services for medically fragile students – M. Yamin, E. Skoronski.
6. Committee of the Whole/5 minutes ~ Request approval of a Partnership Agreement for the Waterbury Bridge to Success Community Partnership – A. M. Cullinan, Lori Hart. *75 community organizations support BTS.*
7. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval to participate in the Continuation of the Discovery Initiative Grant/William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund with Waterbury Bridge to Success and approval of the 2014-2015 Application Assurances for the same – A. M. Cullinan, Lori Hart.
8. Committee on Building/5 minutes ~ Request approval of an Agreement with Silver/Petrucci + Associates for school district facility and security improvement projects – P. Guidone, J. Cross, J. Herman.
9. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Report: Waterbury Career Academy STEM After-school Program (to be distributed) – Dr. Sequeira, Dr. Padua.
10. Committee of the Whole/10 minutes ~ Update: Waterbury Career Academy 2014/15 recruitment (to be distributed) – Dr. Sequeira, Dr. Padua.
11. Committee of the Whole/5 minutes ~ Update: Board of Education's 2014 Meeting Schedule.
12. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
13. Committee on School Facilities & Grounds/5 minutes ~ Use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests.
- **13a. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to John Reed, CHS, and one chaperone to take 20 students to New York, NY on April 16, 2014 to visit Central Park Zoo, Museum of Natural History, and Madame Tussauds Wax Museum.**
- **13b. Committee on Curriculum/2 minutes ~ Request permission be granted to Ken Ludwig, KHS, and three chaperones to take 40 students to Cambridge, MA on May 2, 2014 to visit the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.**
- **13c. Committee on Finance/5 minutes ~ Request approval of a CT Department of Labor Contract through Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board – P. Guidone.**

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

a. Appointments:

Petteway, Sonya – Guidance Department Chair, CHS, effective immediately.

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

Jaime Bao – NEMS	Mary Colgan – NEMS
Benjamin Germain – State Street	Brian Gilmore – Washington
Sara Guerrero – Wilson	Christine MacDonald – Carrington
Jason Martinez – NEMS	Marcy Peschke – Bucks Hill
Cassandra Salemme – Duggan	Jennifer Stone – Hopeville
Stephen Tansley – NEMS	Timothy St. Pierre – Driggs
Timothy Terenzi – WMS	Kim Libera - WSMS

c. Grant funded appointments effective immediately:

Borges, Laura – Teacher, High School Credit Retrieval, KHS, funded by Alliance Grant.

Brown, Cassandra – Teacher, High School Credit Retrieval, CHS, funded by Alliance Grant.

Brown, Heather – Lead Teacher, Middle School Credit Retrieval, WSMS, funded by Improvement/Alliance Funds.

Deptula, Joseph – Math Teacher, Middle School Credit Retrieval, WSMS, funded by Improvement/Alliance Funds.

Elsemore, Lisa – ELA Teacher, Middle School Credit Retrieval, WSMS, funded by Improvement/Alliance Funds.

Harisi, Vanessa – Substitute Teacher, Walsh School's ESH Program.

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Lindley, Carly – Teacher, High School Credit Retrieval, WCA, funded by Alliance Grant.

Monnerat, Mary Jean – Title I Tutor, Bucks Hill School, \$30 p/hour, maximum of 18 hours p/week, non-union and without benefits, funded by Title I.

Spring, Frank – Teacher, High School Credit Retrieval, WHS, funded by Alliance Grant.

d. Teacher new hires:

Name		Location	Assignment	Grade/Step	Effective
McGrath	Andie	Crosby-temp	Guidance	MA+15/1	3/24/14
Lillian	Jennifer	Bucks Hill	Kindergarten	MA/1	3/24/14
Shule-Sejolores	Benjola	WCA	Science	BA/2	2/26/14
Mancini	Dana	Wilby	English	MA/1	3/17/14

e. Teacher transfers:

Biello, Claudia – from Title I Literacy/Carrington to Literacy Facilitator/Reed & Tinker, effective 03/31/14.

f. Resignations:

French, Gina – Art Teacher, WSMS, effective 03/31/14.

Schmitt, Danielle – Art Teacher, Washington/Bucks Hill Annex, effective
06/30/14.

- g. Retirements:
Cafasso, Judith B. – CHS Social Studies, effective July 1, 2014.

EXECUTIVE SESSION for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer at 9:16 p.m. and returning at 9:35 p.m. with no votes taken.

Present were President Stango, Commissioners Awwad, Brown, Harvey, Hernandez, McEntee, Rodriguez, J. Van Stone, and T. Van Stone. Also present were Dr. Ouellette, Dr. Sequeira, Mrs. Cullinan, Mr. Guidone, Dr. Tucker, and Mr. Whyte.

ADJOURNMENT at 9:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Swain, Clerk
Board of Education