

Board of Education Meeting

January 19, 2017 6:30 PM
Derby Middle School Cafetorium
73 Chatfield Street

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Harris
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio
Mr. Andy Mancini
Mr. Dan Foley
Mr. George Kurtyka
Mrs. Janine Netto
Mrs. Christine Robinson

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Jim Gildea
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara

I. Call to Order

I.a. Opening Ceremonies

I.b. Roll Call

I.c. Additions/deletions to the agenda

II. Public Participation

Discussion:
No one spoke.

III. Student Representative's Report

Discussion:
No representative was present.

IV. Chairman's Report

Discussion:
Mr. Marcucio said they no longer want the Board members using their personal email for Board issues. He would like the members to attend the next meeting early on February 7th around 5:30 PM to set up all a school email account.

V. Superintendent's Report

Discussion:
Dr. Conway updated the Board on his activities over the past month. He attended several meetings throughout the month including the Baseball Field Committee meeting, Budget Subcommittee meeting, the Athletic Complex Building Committee meeting, and he met with Ansonia and Oxford to discuss POST and Housatonic MOAs. Plans for the Admin retreat have been finalized. Para negotiations have begun. Dr. Conway helped coordinate McDonald's grand reopening. He thanked Maureen for her work with the chorus. He chaired the CAPSS Legislative Committee and SCASA monthly meeting and hosted the CABA Legislative breakfast.

VI. Administrator's Reports

VI.a. Facilities Report

Discussion:
Nothing was discussed.

VI.b. Technology Report

Discussion:
Mr. Myzithras said they are repairing approximately 50 laptops a day. All the laptops have been set up for the upcoming SBAC testing. He's also looking into streamlining the payment process. Ms. Netto asked about the insurance and if there is an option to pay to repair the laptops themselves or to use their one time insurance allowance. Mr. Myzithras said he will be looking into that as well. Mr. Marcucio asked if he was going to be looking into new devices. Mr. Myzithras said the laptops are old and becoming harder to repair due to replacement part pricing and availability. They will be looking into new computers for next year. Mr. Myzithras spoke with Verizon and they are going to survey the building and install cells so the building will be fully covered for Verizon customers. Ms. Harris asked about the antivirus software. She heard that there is now a cost associated with the service. Mr. Myzithras is researching options.

VII. Approval of Minutes

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the minutes from the following meetings:

- a. December 8, 2016 - Board Meeting
- b. January 3, 2017 - Committee of the Whole

Ms. Harris asked to amend the January 3, 2017 minutes under item IV. 1 there is a typo "guy" should state "Jim". passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

VIII. Financial Report

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the financial report through December 31, 2016, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

IX. Policy 5131.81 Use of Cellular Telephones

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education review policy 5131.81 - Use of Cellular Telephones, as a second read and adoption, as recommended by the Policy Committee. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

X. Policy 5132 - Dress and Grooming

Motion Passed: Motion: That the Board of Education review policy 5132 - Dress and Grooming, as a second read and adoption, as recommended by the Policy Committee. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XI. Policy 1330 - Use of School Facilities

Motion Passed: Motion: That the Board of Education review policy 1330 Facilities Use as a first read, as recommended by the Policy Committee. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. Andy Mancini.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XII. 2016 Program of Studies - New Course

Motion Passed: Motion: That the Board of Education approve the Music Appreciation course to be added to the 2016 Program of Studies, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. Andy Mancini.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XIII. Academics/Human Capital Strategic Planning Committee Board Proposal

Discussion:

Academics/Human Capital Strategic Planning Committee
Board Proposal January 19, 2017

The Academics/Human Capital Committee encourages the Board of Education to strive to retain the full time social workers at each school as the 2017/2018 budget is developed. We recognize that the District will have many needs that will be challenging to address, with the budget constraints of the State and Local funding. We recommend finding creative ways to meet the support staff needs by considering alternative methods for ensuring social workers are in the schools. This could include: reduced hours, utilizing interns or discussing potential collaborations with local agencies. Additionally, we propose that the Board of Education consider funding additional part time staffing to perform clerical duties for the Little Raiders program. If not possible in the budget, we suggest consideration of a volunteer position that could be filled by a retired teacher or community person. Lastly, with police being called daily to some schools, the committee proposes consideration of a school resource officer being available in each school.

XIV. Executive Session

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 7:33 PM to discuss the appointment list, a leave of absence request and legal representation, and that the Superintendent of School is invited to attend. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. Andy Mancini.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

The meeting reopened to the public at 8:22 PM.

XV. Appointment List

Motion Passed:: That the Board of Education approve the appointment list as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XVI. Resignations

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education accept the resignation of: Anna Van Wyck, Bradley School Language Arts/Science/Social Studies Teacher effective June 30, 2017. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education accept the resignation of: Charese McGregor, Irving School Paraprofessional, effective January 6, 2017. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education accept the resignation of: Jesse Barriga, Bradley School Paraprofessional, effective January 5, 2017. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. Andy Mancini.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XVII. Leave of Absence

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve a leave of absence for Erin Roman, Teacher at Irving School from March 1, 2017 to June 30, 2017, as

recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XVIII. Legal Representation

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the law firm of Zangari, Cohn, Cuthebertson, Duhl & Grello P.C.as its legal representation. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

XIX. Adjourn

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 8:30 pm. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Yes
Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent

Terri Kuskowski
Recording Secretary

Minutes are subject to approval at the next Board meeting.