

Regular Board template

Wednesday, May 6, 2009 7:00 PM

Board of Education Auditorium, 129 Church Street, Bristol, CT 06010

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence**
2. **Superintendent Report - Bristol Eastern Student Presentation**
3. **Approval of Minutes - April 1, 2009 - Regular Meeting**
4. **Committee Reports**

5. **Consent Agenda**

5.1. Personnel

- 5.1.a. Administrator Retirement - Effective June 30, 2009
- 5.1.b. Teacher Resignations
- 5.1.c. A-3 Resignation - Effective June 30, 2009
- 5.1.d. Coaching Resignation
- 5.1.e. Coaching Appointments
- 5.1.f. Volunteer Coaching Appointment

5.2. Resolutions

- 5.2.a. 457 and 403b Resolutions

6. **Public Comment**

7. **Deliberated Items**

7.1. Staff Achievement Award Recipients - 2009

7.2. Enrollment Update

7.3. Teacher Evaluation Report

7.4. Student Exchange Program with Spain - April 2010

7.5. Elementary and Secondary Summer School Offerings - Summer 2009

7.6. Textbook Adoption

7.6.a. First Presentation: Social Studies - Law & Justice Textbook Adoption

7.6.b. First Presentation: AP Statistics Textbook Adoption

7.7. Mountain View "Hat Day" Request

7.8. Agreement for Child Nutrition Program

7.9. South Side Roof Project Building Committee

8. **Old Business**

9. **New Business**

10. **Building Committee Reports**

11. **Information** **Presenter:** Barbara Doyle

12. **Vote To Convene Into Executive Session** **Presenter:** Barbara Doyle

13. **Reconvene Into Public Session** **Presenter:** Barbara Doyle

14. **Adjournment** **Presenter:** Barbara Doyle

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Bristol, Connecticut
Regular Meeting – April 1, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Bristol Board of Education was held on Wednesday, April 1, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at the Board of Education Administration Building, 129 Church Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

PRESENT: Commissioners Jane E. Anastasio, Margaret Bonola, Amy D. Coan, Barbara Y. Doyle, Thomas P. O'Brien, Sherry A. Turcotte, Karen L. Vibert, Christopher C. Wilson; Philip A. Streifer, Superintendent of Schools, Susan Kalt Moreau, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Steven DeVaux, Assistant to the Superintendent for Business, Anthony Malavenda, Human Resources Director and Clifford Block, Council Liaison to the Board of Education.

Excused: Commissioner Julie Luczkow

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chairman Doyle called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and invited the audience to join her in reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for Elizabeth Hudon a former Elementary School Teacher.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Anastasio, seconded by Commissioner Turcotte, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the minutes of the March 4, 2009 Regular Meeting be approved as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Operations Committee

Commissioner Coan reported that the Operations Committee met on Monday, March 30th. They discussed Educational specifications for the South Side School Roof replacements, Renewal of the Transportation Contract. Both items will need to be placed on the table for approval.

First Student Contract Renewal

On motion of Commissioner Coan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board, place the First Student Contract Renewal on the agenda for a vote.

Commissioner Coan made a motion to amend the agenda to approve the recommendation of the Operations Committee to accept the amended renewal of the transportation contract with First Student for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014 and to recommend to the full Board of Education the approval of the amended renewal of the Transportation Contract with First Student for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014.

On motion of Commissioner Coan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the amended renewal of the Transportation Contract with First Student for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014.

South Side School Roof Replacement

On motion of Commissioner Coan, seconded by Commissioner Anastasio, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board place the South Side School Roof Replacement on the agenda for a vote.

Commissioner Coan made a motion to amend the agenda to approve the recommendation of the Operations Committee to accept Educational Specifications for the South Side Elementary School Roof Replacement Project and to recommend to the full Board of Education the approval of the Educational Specifications for the South Side Roof Replacement Project, and to have the Chairman sign the Ed049 Form for the State Facilities Unit.

On motion of Commissioner Coan, seconded by Commissioner Anastasio, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the amended Educational Specifications for the South Side Roof Replacement Project, and to have the Chairman sign the Ed049 Form for the State Facilities Unit.

Finance Committee

Commissioner O'Brien reported that the budget presentation to the Finance Board went well.

Building Committee Reports

Forestville Building Committee

Commissioner O'Brien reported that the committee has gone out to bid for a construction Manager. The property purchases are nearing completion.

West Bristol Building Committee

Commissioner Wilson reported that their progress is very similar. RFP's have gone out with the fee schedules and negotiations are ongoing regarding the land purchase.

Communications and Community Relations Committee

Commissioner Vibert reported the second "Spotlight on Education" newsletter will be out next week.

CONSENT AGENDA

Teacher Retirements – Effective June 30, 2009

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education accept the following Teacher Retirements – Effective June 30, 2009:
Ruth Busse – MBMS – Music;
Christina Welch – BCHS – Guidance Counselor ;

Teacher Resignations – Effective June 30, 2009

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the following Teacher Resignations – Effective June 30, 2009:
Stephen Carr – STAF – Grade 5;
Sheri Jehnings – GH – Grade 1;
Timothy Kroeze – BCHS – Science;
Erin Park – BEHS – Spanish;
Justin Pearson – West Woods – English;

Teacher Resignation from an Unpaid Leave of Absence

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the following Teacher Resignation from an Unpaid Leave of Absence:

Kelly Longo – NEMS – Guidance Counselor

Coaching Resignation

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education accept the following Coaching Resignation:

Michael Archangelo – Asst. Track & Field .5 Girls, .5 Boys Coach – BCHS – Effective 2/5/09;

Coaching Appointments

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the following Coaching Appointments:

Scott Chesmer – Softball Coach – MBMS

Michael Schleer – Baseball Coach – NEMS

Appointment of Personnel Under the Athletic A-2 Schedule for the Spring 08-09 School Year

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the following A-2 Personnel for the Spring 08-09 school year:

Martin Salice – Baseball – BCHS

Brendan Hayes – Baseball – BCHS

Kelly McCabe – Baseball – BCHS

Thomas Moylan – Softball – BCHS

Barbara Lessard – Girls Tennis – BEHS

David Jackman – Outdoor Track & Field – BEHS

Tunxis Community College Resolution

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the signing of the Tunxis Community College Resolution.

Inter-district Cooperative Grant- Adventures in Peace-Making and Diversity for the 2009-2010 School Year

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Coan, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve Inter-district Cooperative Grant- Adventures in Peace-Making and Diversity for the 2009-2010 School Year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public wished to address the Board.

DELIBERATED ITEMS**Odyssey of the Mind Out of State Travel**

Mr. Ryan presented the Odyssey of the Mind teams and their coaches. He was pleased to announce that a team from Greene Hills, and a team from Memorial Boulevard had been invited to compete in the 2009 Odyssey of the Mind World Championships being held at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa from May 26, 2009 to May 31, 2009.

Odyssey of the Mind is a creative problem-solving program for students in K-12 and college. Odyssey provides teams with the opportunity to learn creative problem solving, teamwork, brainstorming, self-reliance, and respect for individual strengths. This is a unique, unforgettable experience that will serve them in every aspect of their lives now and in the future.

Students from both teams were present in the audience and stood when their names were called.

Greene-Hills

Kailey Conlin

Sara Conlon

Jessica Capezzone

Sydney Capezzone

Gabrielle Raymond

Alexa Casale

Mackenzie Lindroth

Scott Larson

Colin Savino

Coach: Melissa Grant**Memorial Boulevard M.S.**

Sarah Larson

Rachel Cunningham

Katie Pelkey

Gretchen Edelman

Kelci Trunk

Coach: Terry Grant

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Anastasio, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the Odyssey of the Mind out of state Travel to the Odyssey of the Mind World Championship in Ames, Iowa from May 26, 2009 to May 31, 2009.

The Board congratulated the students and their coaches, and wished them luck in May. Commissioner Vibert asked the teams to let her know when they would rehearse their work because she would like to watch them.

High School Graduation Date and End of Year Closing Date

Anthony Malavenda presented the High School Graduation Date and End of Year closing date. The district had four school closings, five late openings and one early dismissal. The last day of school will be Friday, June 19, 2009 following completion of the 181st day of school.

Promotional exercises at the middle schools take place in the morning of the last day of school, Friday, June 19, 2009. High School graduation will be scheduled for the evening of Friday, June 19, 2009. This date is subject to change in the event of additional emergency closing days.

On motion of Commissioner Anastasio, seconded by Commissioner Turcotte it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the High School Graduation Date and End of Year Closing Date as Friday, June 19, 2009 following completion of the 181st day of school.

Parent Conference Schedules and Marking Period Close Dates for 2009-2010 and 2010-2011

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for the fall and spring at the elementary, middle and high school levels.

Parent Conference Schedules and Marking Period Close Dates for 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 (con't)

The school year is divided into three marking periods for the elementary and middle school students and four marking periods for high school students. This creates marking periods of approximately 60 days and 45 days for grades K-8 and 9-12 respectively.

On motion of Commissioner Anastasio, seconded by Commissioner Turcotte it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the Parent Conference Schedules and Marking Period Close Dates for 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

Policy Revision

3541(b) Transportation Policy Revision (Second Reading)

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education approve the 3541(b) Transportation Policy Revision.

Superintendent Report

SAT Improvement and Achievement Report

Denise Carabetta and Kris Irvine, presented the SAT Improvement and Achievement Report

Old Business

There was no Old Business to come before the Board.

New Business

There was no New Business to come before the Board

INFORMATION

Dr. Moreau informed the Board of a generous donation from Otis Elevator. Thanks to John Ryan who has pursued this donation the past few years. We are grateful for such a donation.

Since 1999 we have held a special science program within our elementary summer school. Camp invention is a nonprofit science enrichment experience that develops creative thinking, team work and problem solving skills through hands-on exploration and fun. Otis elevator has donated \$25,000 in scholarship money to cover the student tuition. Over 150 Students received full or partial scholarships to attend. Teachers and principals select students from their schools who show a strong interest in science and technology.

VOTE TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Commissioner Vibert, seconded by Commissioner Turcotte, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education convene into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Student Expulsions and BAPS Negotiations. (8:30 p.m.).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRESENT: Commissioners Jane E. Anastasio, Margaret Bonola, Amy D. Coan, Barbara Y. Doyle, Thomas P. O'Brien, Sherry A. Turcotte, Karen L. Vibert, Christopher C. Wilson; Philip A. Streifer, Superintendent of Schools, Susan Kalt Moreau, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Steven DeVaux, Assistant to the Superintendent for Business, Anthony Malavenda, Human Resources Director and Clifford Block, Council Liaison to the Board of Education.

Excused: Commissioner Julie Luczkow

Executive Session was called to order. **(8:37 p.m.)**

A discussion of student expulsions was conducted.

RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

On motion of Commissioner Vibert seconded by Commissioner O'Brien it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education reconvene into Public Session to vote on any items discussed in Executive Session. (9:13 p.m.)

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Commissioner Turcotte, seconded by Commissioner Wilson it was unanimously

VOTED: That the Board of Education meeting be adjourned. (9:13 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted:

Susan P. Everett

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Board of Education Secretary