

DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 10, 2014 7:00 PM
DRAFT BOE MEETING MINUTES, 4 Vision Boulevard, Somers, CT 06071

1. DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes 2/10/14

SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING – February 10, 2014

Members Present: D. Palmer, B. Devlin, R. Lees, Jr., M. Rockett, S. Moynihan
Bollinger, A. Kirkpatrick, J. Formeister, K. McLellan

Members Absent: M. Marquardt

Administrators Present: Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell, K. Pezza

Staff Present:

Citizens Present: B. Capuano, M. Splain, R. Schmidt

Students Present:

Others:

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Palmer in the Mabelle B. Avery Middle School Board of Education meeting room.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 27, 2014 – It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (M. Rockett) to approve the January 27, 2014 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- Mr. Schmidt extended an invitation to the Board of Education to celebrate the Rotary Club's 50th Anniversary on April 12, 2014 at Twin Hills Country Club starting at 6:00 p.m.
- Chairman Palmer acknowledged correspondence with a parent regarding a Special Education student. Chairman Palmer will discuss the content with Dr. Suffredini.
- K. McLellan acknowledged correspondence and turned the matter over to Dr. Suffredini.

6.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA

7.1. Approval of Bills

It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (R. Lees) to approve the 2/10/14 bills in the amount of \$330,809.65 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

7.2. Retirement Letter – Rae Teed

It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (R. Lees)** to accept, with regret, the retirement notification received from R. Teed effective at the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year. **PASSED 8-0.**

7.3. Maternity Leave for Kristin Baber

It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (R. Lees)** to approve the requested maternity leave for K. Baber beginning on or around June 1, 2014 and returning for the start of the 2014-2015 calendar year. **PASSED 8-0.**

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.1. First Warning of DBS Code 5118 – Nonresident Attendance

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CAFE for policy revisions and is presenting the revised policy for first warning to the Board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 2/24/14 agenda.

8.2. Bid for Architect for SPS Roof Project

It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (D. Palmer)** to go out to bid for an architect for district roof projects. **PASSED 8-0.** The Long-Range Planning Committee will meet and make recommendations to the Board of Education.

9.0 OLD BUSINESS

9.1. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 4112.6/4212.6 – Certificated/ Non-Certificated

It was **MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (B. Devlin)** to approve DBS Code 4112.6 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

9.2. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 6146 – Graduation Requirements/ Standards of Proficiency

No action taken at this time.

9.3. Educational Specifications Information for Roof Project

It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (A. Kirkpatrick)** to approve the Educational Specifications as recommended by Dr. Suffredini in order to submit an application for the Roof Project. **PASSED 8-0.**

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Dr. Suffredini reported the following:

- The iPad program will move into Phase III this summer in order to be ready for the fall for distribution to teachers and students.
- The CTSDE has amended the SEED program. Information has been shared with the staff and the BOE.

11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

11.1. Budget – Dr. Suffredini commented that the budget is on line. Chairman Palmer commented that the BOF had a favourable response to the Board of Education’s budget approval for 2014-2015.

11.2. Curriculum –

11.3. Policy – A. Kirkpatrick commented that the committee will meet on February 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

11.4. Salary & Negotiations – B. Devlin commented that negotiations will soon start with the custodians' and the nurses' unions.

11.5. Planning Committee – Chairman Palmer stated that the Long-Range Planning Committee will meet to advise the BOE on recommendations regarding the architect and roof projects.

11.6. Other Committees

12.0 OTHER

- **J. Formeister and A. Kirkpatrick will be attending the Legislative Breakfast to be held on 2/13/14 at 8:00 a.m. at the State Capitol, weather permitting. It may be postponed and held the following Thursday, February 20th. Invitations continue to be open.**
- **B. Devlin commented that the Somers Education Foundation is holding a fundraising musical event on February 28, 2014 at Joanna's Café.**

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (R. Lees) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 7:41 p.m. PASSED 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

**Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary
Shannin Burns, Recording Secretary**

These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.