

**DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes 3-10-14**

**Monday, March 10, 2014 7:00 PM**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – March 10, 2014**

**Members Present:** D. Palmer, B. Devlin, R. Lees, Jr., J. Formeister, A. Kirkpatrick, M. Marquardt, K. McLellan, M. Rockett  
**Members Absent:** S. Moynihan Bollinger  
**Administrators Present:** Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell, K. Pezza, D. Messina  
**Staff Present:**  
**Citizens Present:** B. Capuano, B. Chlebowski, L. LaCasse  
**Students Present:** N. Devlin, J. Reed  
**Others:**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:01 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**

February 24, 2014 – It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (J. Formeister) to approve the February 24, 2014 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

**4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

**5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

Emails were received by the Board of Education members.

**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 3/10/14 bills in the amount of \$459,043.02 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

**7.2 Retirement of B. Polek**

It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (R. Lees) to accept with regret the Retirement of B. Polek effective June 30, 2014. **PASSED 8-0.**

**8.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**8.1. First Warning of DBS Code 5145 – Section 504: Civil and Legal Rights and Responsibilities**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CAFE for this policy and is presenting as is for the first warning to the Board.

- 8.2. **First Warning of DBS Code 5145.52 – Harassment**  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for this policy and is presenting as is for the first warning to the Board.
- 8.3 **First Warning of DBS Code 6146 – Graduation**  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for this policy and is presenting as is for the first warning to the Board.
- 8.4 **First Warning of DBS Code 6141.321 – Student Telecommunication Acceptable Use Policy**  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for this policy and is presenting as is for the first warning to the Board.
- 8.5 **Open Choice Program**  
It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (R. Lees)** to maintain the current allotment of 24 seats for Choice students for the 2014-2015 school year. **PASSED 8-0**
- 8.6 **Connecticut’s Educator Evaluation and Support System 2013-2014 Flexibility Request**  
It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (A. Kirkpatrick)** to allow the Somers Public School District to apply for flexibility on the 2013-2014 SEED system requirements. **PASSED 8-0**

**9.0 OLD BUSINESS**

- 9.1. **Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 3432 – Budget & Expense Report/ Annual Financial Statement**  
It was **MOVED (A. Kirkpatrick), SECONDED (R. Lees)** to approve DBS Code 3432 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**
- 9.2 **Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 1331 – Smoke Free Environment**  
It was **MOVED (A. Kirkpatrick), SECONDED (M. Rockett)** to approve DBS Code 1331 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

**10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- 10.1. **Amendment to the 2014-2015 School Budget**  
It was **MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (M. Marquardt)** to amend the already approved budget by \$ 24,589.00 for a total of \$20,744,253.00 **PASSED 8-0**
- 10.2. **The Lou Bachetti Memorial**  
The Superintendent updated the Board on the Lou Bachetti Memorial. Dr. Suffredini has been working with the family, on the monument and on the location. The cost will be approximately \$3,000.00 and will be raised privately. A large portion of the funds have been raised already.

**11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

- 11.1. **Budget -**
- 11.2. **Curriculum –**
- 11.3. **Policy – A. Kirkpatrick stated the Policy Committee met on 2/24/14. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 7 p.m.**
- 11.4. **Salary & Negotiations –**

**11.5. Planning – Chairman Palmer stated the Planning Committee met on 2/24/14. The next meeting will be in March.**

**11.6. Other Committees**

**12.0 OTHER**

- **Nick Caruso from CAFE will be at the next BOE meeting.**

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (M. Marquardt) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 7:34 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.**