

DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes 7-7-14

Monday, July 7, 2014 7:00 PM

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SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING – July 7, 2014

Members Present: D. Palmer, B. Devlin, R. Lees, Jr., S. Moynihan Bollinger, J. Formeister (arrived at 7:10 p.m.), A. Kirkpatrick, M. Marquardt (arrived at 7:12 p.m.), K. McLellan (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), M. Rockett

Members Absent:

Administrators Present: Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell, Dr. D. Messina

Staff Present:

Citizens Present:

Students Present:

Others:

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 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

June 23, 2014 – It was **MOVED** (R. Lees), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve the June 23, 2014 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 6-0.**

4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- Chairman Palmer received a letter as well as some Board members. Other Board members are awaiting the letter. Dr. Suffredini needs to assess the letter and communicate to the Board appropriately.
- Chairman Palmer received correspondence from C.A.B.E.

6.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA

7.1. Approval of Bills

It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve the 7/7/14 bills in the amount of \$245,725.02 as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

9.0 OLD BUSINESS

- 9.1. Second Warning/Adoption of the Middle School Math Textbook**
It was **MOVED** (A. Kirkpatrick), **SECONDED** (B. Devlin) to approve the Middle School math textbooks that are aligned with the Common Core.
PASSED 7-0.

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 10.1. 2014-15 Educator Evaluation and Support Plan Approval**
It was **MOVED** (M. Rockett), **SECONDED** (J. Formeister) to adopt changes to the Somers Educator Evaluation Plan as presented by Dr. Suffredini.
PASSED 8-0.
- 10.2. Bloomboard Data Management System**
It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (M. Rockett) to approve the data management tool associated with the Educator Evaluation Plan as presented.
PASSED 8-0.
- 10.3. Pupil Services Showcase: Extended School Year**
Dr. Denise Messina, Director of Pupil Services, updated the Board on the extended school year (ESY) program and discussed the status of the district's rating. The ESY program began Monday, July 7th, and is considered an extension of the previous year. A student is eligible when significant regression is determined by the planning team responsible for the student's IEP. Once the team makes the decision, the district is responsible for providing services in order to maintain the student's skills and knowledge. The SES ESY program is known as SLAM (Supporting Language Arts and Mathematics). It is "offered as an enrichment opportunity for tuition-paying students and is at no cost to students who have ESY as an IEP service." ESY at MBA and SHS is a tutoring program. Outsourcing is an option when there are not enough services offered in the district. Transportation is provided if needed. Information may be provided by the teacher to the student and parent(s) if it is felt the student would benefit from the program. The ESY program runs for four weeks at the elementary level (8:30-10:30, Monday Thursday). Staffing is designed by the amount of enrolled students. Dr. Messina also reported that a letter was sent to Dr. Suffredini relaying the district's 2012-2013 annual performance report based on 20 indicators around special education. Of the four categories in which the districts are placed, Somers Public Schools placed in the highest category of "Meets Requirements."

11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

- 11.1. Budget – Chairman Palmer reported there is a little surplus.**
- 11.2. Curriculum – No report.**
- 11.3. Policy – A. Kirkpatrick reported that the Policy Committee met on July 7, 2014, and the next meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2014 at 6 p.m.**
- 11.4. Salary & Negotiations – No report.**

11.5. Planning Committee – B. Boutwell reported that the committee is waiting for updated numbers on the cost estimate on the roof and that the project will begin in the summer of 2015. There will be an ad in the paper for a pre-bid walk-through regarding the generator and alarm systems.

11.6. Other Committees – No report.

12.0 OTHER

- **Dr. Suffredini is expecting the process of interviewing for the MBA principal position to go smoothly; however, timing will be of the essence. If a candidate is not chosen, the other option would be to hire an interim.**
- **Chairman Palmer reported that the SEF annual event will be held on August 5, 2014.**

13.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL MATTERS (Superintendent's Performance Evaluation/Negotiations)

It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (S. Bollinger) to move into Executive Session for the Superintendent's Evaluation/Negotiations and invite Dr. Suffredini, Superintendent of Schools, into Executive Session at 7:50p.m. PASSED 9-0.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (S. Bollinger) to adjust the Superintendent's contract with the following: add a one-year extension to the current contract expiring June 30, 2016 and adjust the salary upwards by \$7,650.00 as presented. All other provisions of contract remain unchanged. PASSED 9-0.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (M. Marquardt) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 8:11 p.m. PASSED 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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