

**Somers Board of Education Regular Meeting
Somers Board of Education Chambers
Wednesday, December 22, 2010
5:30 PM**

(The recorded livestream may be viewed on SPS' YouTube channel on the school website)

Present BOE Members: Anne Kirkpatrick, Mike Briggs, Krista Cherry, Dr. Ed DePeau, JT Galloway, Shane Manning, Jan Martin, Kim Radziewicz, Carl Stebbins

Absent BOE Members:

Others:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Rationale:

Discussion:

2. NEW BUSINESS

Rationale:

Discussion:

2.1. Resignation (J. Schober)

Rationale: Judith Schober, SES Music teacher has submitted her resignation. The superintendent has accepted the resignation effective 12/23/10. The position will be posted immediately.

Discussion:

2.2. 2011-2012 School Calendar Revision

Rationale: As per the SEA contract, the "scheduled work year of teachers...shall begin not earlier than August 25th...unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Board and the Association". The SEA has now requested that the school year not start until August 25th; therefore, the calendar has been adjusted. The teacher work day previously scheduled for August 24th has been moved to October 28th.

Discussion:

2.3. Ratification of S.E.A. Contract

Rationale:

Discussion:

2.4. Ratification of S.A.A. Contract

Rationale:

Discussion:

2.5. Appointment of 10-186 School Board Transportation Subcommittee

Rationale: A subcommittee of the full board representing a quorum is required to be established in order to hear an upcoming transportation appeal.

Discussion:

3. ADJOURNMENT

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Discussion:

Krista Cherry, BOE Secretary Date
Jenna McDermott, BOE Recording Secretary

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Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary

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Judith M. Schober
98 Rocky Dundee Road
P.O. Box 597
Somers, CT 06071

December 14, 2010

Ralph Riola, Principal
Jennifer Oliver, Assistant Principal
Somers Elementary School
4 Vision Boulevard
Somers, CT 06071

Dear Mr. Riola and Mrs. Oliver:

I regret to inform you that I have accepted a position as choral music teacher at Windsor Locks High School. Although I was not actively seeking another position, an opportunity arose in a program that I have admired for many years. High School positions do not open up often and I feel this position is a perfect match for my skills. Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation as music teacher at Somers Elementary School effective on or before January 14, 2011. I would like to start in Windsor Locks earlier if at all possible.

Thank you for the opportunity to teach at Somers Elementary School. I appreciate the support you have given to me and to my program. It has been a pleasure to work with both of you.

Very truly yours,



Judy Schober



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Dr. Maynard M. Suffredini, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

December 17, 2010

Mrs. Judith Schober
Somers Elementary School

Dear Mrs. Schober:

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 14, 2010 indicating that you have accepted a position at Windsor Locks High School.

In an attempt to assist you in your release, I will accept your resignation effective December 23, 2010. Hopefully this is early enough as you requested in your letter.

Good luck in your new position.

Sincerely,

Dr. Maynard M. Suffredini, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

ms:ss

cc: Business Office
R. Riola

2011-2012 SOMERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JULY '11								
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30		
31								

4 Independence Day

JANUARY '12		(20)						
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
29	30	31						

2 Holiday Recess
16 M.L. King Jr. Day

AUGUST '11		(3)						
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
28	29	30	31					

25 Staff Orientation Day
26 Teacher Work Day
29 **SCHOOLS OPEN**

FEBRUARY '12		(16)						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		
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20 President's Day
21-24 February Recess

SEPTEMBER '11		(19)						
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2 NO SCHOOL
5 Labor Day
23 Teacher Work Day

MARCH '12		(21)						
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16 Teacher Work Day
21 K-5 Early Release
22 K-5 Early Release
23 K-5 Early Release

OCTOBER '11		(18)						
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6 9-12 Early Release
10 Columbus Day
11 Teacher Work Day
28 Teacher Work Day

APRIL '12		(15)						
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6 Good Friday
16-20 April Recess

NOVEMBER '11		(19)						
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9 6-8 Early Release
10 6-8 Early Release
11 Veterans Day
16 K-5 Early Release
17 K-5 Early Release
18 K-5 Early Release
23 Early Release
24-25 Thanksgiving Recess

MAY '12		(22)						
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28 Memorial Day

DECEMBER '11		(17)						
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26-30 Holiday Recess

JUNE '12		(10)						
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14 **SCHOOLS CLOSING—**
Early Release
15 Teacher Work Day

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