

**Somers Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Somers Board of Education Chambers  
Monday, February 27, 2012  
7:00 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. BUDGET HEARING**

**Rationale:** BOE BUDGET HEARING - SES AUDITORIUM  
- 6:30 P.M. (Regular 2/27/12 BOE Meeting to follow in the SES Media Center)

**Discussion:**

**2. CALL TO ORDER**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Salary & Negotiations**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**6. AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**8. OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**9.1. Approval of Bills**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**9.2. Resignation (B. Bunnell)**

**Rationale:** Brandy Bunnell, Director of Pupil Services, has submitted her resignation to be effective at the conclusion of this school year.

**Discussion:**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**10.1. Vote to Amend 2012-2013 Budget**

**Rationale:** We have received from Ovations new information regarding our health insurance premium for next year. Since our last meeting Anthem has reduced our cost by an additional \$138,231 which will reduce our overall budget increase for the 2012-2013 school year to 2.55%.

**Discussion:**

**10.2. Open Choice Program**

**Rationale:** Annually we are required to review our availability of seats to expand the Choice program. We presently have 11 Choice students enrolled in our district, however, we have 24 seats allotted. My recommendation would be to maintain the same allotment for next year.

**Discussion:**

**11. OLD BUSINESS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**12.1. District Grants Update**

**Rationale:** Mr. Boutwell has prepared a district grants update report which is included in the packet. He will be available to answer any questions board members may have.

**Discussion:**

**12.2. Annual Scheduling - Class Size Update**

**Rationale:** Mr. Cotzin will explain the scheduling process and the information on the master schedule for the 2012-2013 school year. He will be available to respond to any questions the board may have.

**Discussion:**

**13. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.1. Budget**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.2. Curriculum**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.3. Policy**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.4. Salary & Negotiations**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.5. Planning**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**13.6. Other Committees**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**14. OTHER**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**Rationale:**

**Discussion:**

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Krista Cherry, BOE Secretary      Date

Jenna McDermott, BOE Recording Secretary

## SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Somers, CT 06071

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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING – February 13, 2012

**Members Present:** D.Palmer, M.Cicciarella, B.Pellissier, A.Kirkpatrick, S.Bollinger, M.Maniscalco, J.Formeister (left at 7:47 p.m.)  
**Members Absent:** B.Devlin, R.Lees  
**Administrators Present:** M.Suffredini, B.Bunnell, K.Pezza, B.Boutwell  
**Staff Present:**  
**Citizens Present:**  
**Students Present:** C.Rossini, D.Turley, J.Masameny, M.Seagrave  
**Others:** E.Quinlan (Patch.com)

#### 1.0 C A B E Workshop

New Board Member orientation workshop with Nick Caruso from C A B E was held at 5:30 p.m.

#### 2.0 CALL TO ORDER

3.0 The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chairman Palmer in the Mabelle B. Avery Middle School BOE meeting room.

#### 4.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 23, 2012 – It was MOVED (B.Pellissier) SECONDED (S.Bollinger) to approve the January 23, 2012 Board of Education meeting minutes. PASSED 7-0

#### 6.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

#### 6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- Chairman Palmer received correspondence from Asnuntuck Community College regarding their manufacturing/fabrication program for students.

#### 7.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

#### 8.0 CONSENT AGENDA

##### 8.1 Approval of Bills 02/13/12 (\$380,211.98)

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to approve the 02/13/12 Bills in the amount of \$380,211.98 as presented. PASSED 7-0

#### 9.0 NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code: 4112.5/4212.5 – Security Check/Fingerprinting  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by C A B E for policy revisions and presented the revised policy to the Board.

It was MOVED (A.Kirkpatrick) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to approve and adopt the DBS Code 4112.5/4212.5 – Security Check/Fingerprinting as presented. PASSED 7-0

- 9.2** Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code: 5141.4 – Reporting of Child Abuse  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy to the Board.

It was MOVED (A.Kirkpatrick) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to approve and adopt the DBS Code 5141.4 – Reporting of Child Abuse as presented. PASSED 7-0

- 9.3** Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 9000 – Role of Board Members  
The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy to the Board.

It was MOVED (B.Pellissier) SECONDED (A.Kirkpatrick) to approve and adopt the DBS Code 9000 – Role of Board Members as presented. PASSED 7-0

- 9.4** Noncertified Pension Plan Committee  
The Board is required to select two members who will serve as the Authorized Signers for the non-certified pension plan. These individuals will be the district liaisons with St. Germain Investments and will be the authorized communicators on behalf of the Board.

It was MOVED (J.Formeister) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to nominate and appoint the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Salary/Negotiations Subcommittee to serve as the Authorized Signers on behalf of the Board regarding the District's Non-certified Pension Plan. PASSED 7-0

- 9.5** Adoption of the 2012-2013 Budget  
The 2012-2013 proposed budget reflects an increase of 3.26%, with the total budget figure of \$19,965,455. The change from the previous proposed budget is due to a decrease in the anticipated health insurance costs for next year. All other line items remain the same.

It was MOVED (J.Formeister) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to approve and adopt the proposed 2012-2013 budget as recommended by the Superintendent. PASSED 7-0

- 9.6** 2010-2011 Strategic School Profile  
The 2010-2011 Strategic School Profile has just been received. The SSP is normally distributed to districts in the fall, however, the CSDE experienced technological problems again this year in producing the report. Somers Public Schools falls within DRG C, as districts of similarity are grouped together accordingly. Points of interest include: the increase in children attending preschool is a positive trend, enrollment within district decreasing losing about 100 students over a four to five year time period, CMT/CAPT and SAT scores in relation to state performance, and graduation and drop-out rates specific to Somers.

## **10.0 OLD BUSINESS**

## **11.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

## **12.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.**

**12.1** Budget – See 9.4 for Adoption of 2012-2013 Budget

**12.2** Curriculum – No Update

**12.3** Policy – The Policy Committee is meeting next Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

**12.4** Salary & Negotiations – Salary and Negotiations Committee’s next meeting with SESA will be on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Negotiations with SESA have been ongoing.

**12.5** Planning Committee – No Update

**12.6** Other Committees

Technology Ad Hoc Committee – The next Technology Ad Hoc Committee meeting will be held in two weeks on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

**13.0 OTHER**

A.Kirkpatrick sent out an email to Board members regarding the convention taking place in Boston, MA on April 21 through the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Prior, A.Kirkpatrick signed up as the Board designee to attend the national conference. Commitments have arisen and she is now no longer able to attend. S.Bollinger will check her calendar and schedule to see if she can attend in A.Kirkpatrick’s place as the registration number can be transferred. S.Bollinger will get back to the Board regarding her availability.

**14.0 ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED (B.Pellissier) SECONDED (S.Bollinger) to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 8:16 p.m. PASSED 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary  
Leah Cook, Recording Secretary

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

# Somers Board of Education General Budget Treasury Warrant

Report # 16223

Check Batch: 5865  
 Check Header: (N / A)  
 Check Numbers: (First) - (Last)  
 Check Dates: (Earliest) - (Latest)  
 Cash Account Numbers: (First) - (Last)  
 Bank Account Code: (N/A)  
 Check Authorization Code: AP GB  
 Minimum Check Amount: \$0.00  
 Sorted By:  
 Include Payable Information: No  
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 Include Authorization Information: Yes

Batch #	Check #	Check Date	Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Electronic Amount	Check Amount
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Approved by:



Date:

2/22/12

William B. Boutwell, Director of Business Services

5865	4115	02/27/2012	V52670	Amazon	0.00	540.73
	4117	02/27/2012	V60064	Angeloni Refrigeration, Inc.	0.00	112.00
	4118	02/27/2012	V02141	Apple Inc.	0.00	589.80
	4119	02/27/2012	V00555	AT&T	0.00	983.97
	4120	02/27/2012	V02406	Billings Sports, Inc.	0.00	1,484.00
	4121	02/27/2012	E00034	Bunnell, Brandy	0.00	130.57
	4122	02/27/2012	V00121	CABE	0.00	129.98
	4123	02/27/2012	E00047	Campanelli, Anthony	0.00	76.04
	4124	02/27/2012	V00159	Connecticut Light & Power	0.00	16,631.83
	4125	02/27/2012	V60574	CLG Electric LLC	0.00	3,756.01
	4126	02/27/2012	V60608	Connecticut Medical Supply	0.00	31.00
	4127	02/27/2012	V60530	Didax	0.00	156.58
	4128	02/27/2012	V60089	Dime Oil Company	0.00	22,662.58
	4129	02/27/2012	E00096	Duffy, Margaret	0.00	28.86
	4130	02/27/2012	E00107	Ferry, Melinda	0.00	49.90
	4131	02/27/2012	V02186	Flinn Scientific, Inc.	0.00	138.40
	4132	02/27/2012	V01563	Follett Educational Services	0.00	287.60
	4133	02/27/2012	V00314	Follett Library Resources	0.00	560.85
	4134	02/27/2012	V53718	Free Spirit Publishing	0.00	45.91
	4135	02/27/2012	V54081	Graduate Pest Solutions, Inc.	0.00	233.00

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	4136	02/27/2012	V00511	Grainger	0.00	3,537.20
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	4138	02/27/2012	V54063	HSABank	0.00	860.00
	4139	02/27/2012	V02093	JCN Services	0.00	498.60
	4140	02/27/2012	V02625	K & S Distributors	0.00	113.00
	4141	02/27/2012	V60657	Kagan Publishing, Inc.	0.00	47.20
	4142	02/27/2012	E00163	Kapner, Rob	0.00	234.47
	4143	02/27/2012	V00665	Kelly-Fradet Lumber	0.00	284.27
	4144	02/27/2012	V60361	Marlin Leasing Corp	0.00	58.90
	4145	02/27/2012	V60650	Model Me Kids, LLC	0.00	71.70
	4146	02/27/2012	V21005	MSC Industrial Supply Co.	0.00	294.14
	4147	02/27/2012	V01013	NASCO Fort Atkinson	0.00	49.90
	4148	02/27/2012	V60359	Palos Sports	0.00	80.44
	4149	02/27/2012	V51798	PCI Education	0.00	104.90
	4150	02/27/2012	V00206	NCS Pearson, Inc.	0.00	105.00
	4151	02/27/2012	V53914	Pitney Bowes, Inc.	0.00	694.96
	4152	02/27/2012	V52686	Plimpton & Hills	0.00	80.00
	4153	02/27/2012	V51385	Rockwell Communications	0.00	16.49
	4154	02/27/2012	V00615	Scholastic, Inc.	0.00	112.67
	4155	02/27/2012	V60538	School Outfitters	0.00	1,383.91
	4156	02/27/2012	V01292	School Specialty, Inc.	0.00	135.00
	4157	02/27/2012	V60031	SNE Building Systems	0.00	122.85
	4158	02/27/2012	V01485	Social Studies School Services	0.00	506.77
	4159	02/27/2012	V02404	Somers Ace Hardware	0.00	32.27
	4160	02/27/2012	V00886	Somers Lunch Program	0.00	72.20
	4161	02/27/2012	V02225	Staples Advantage	0.00	59.94
	4162	02/27/2012	E00322	Suffredini, Dr. Maynard	0.00	5,102.00
	4163	02/27/2012	V00547	Sullivan, Schoen, Campane & Connon, LLC	0.00	112.70
	4164	02/27/2012	V02183	Super Duper Publications	0.00	957.67
	4165	02/27/2012	V60394	SWAN Associates Inc	0.00	237.12
	4166	02/27/2012	V54013	Teacher Direct	0.00	106.29
	4167	02/27/2012	V01307	Teacher's Discovery	0.00	1,292.11
	4168	02/27/2012	V60374	Tecta America New England LLC	0.00	251.85
	4169	02/27/2012	M00905	United Paint & Wallpaper	0.00	11,988.00
	4170	02/27/2012	V00616	Vernon Public Schools	0.00	1,299.18
	4171	02/27/2012	V53413	W. B. Mason Co., Inc.	0.00	
<b>Totals:</b>					<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$79,554.32</u>

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56 Checks Listed.

# Somers Board of Education General Journal Register

Report # 16222

Batch: 5852

Transaction: N/A

Show Summary Only: Yes

<b>Batch #</b> 5852	<b>Control Total</b> \$79,554.32	<b>Status</b> Posted	<b>Created By</b> lbergamini	<b>Created On</b> 02/21/2012	<b>Last Updated By</b> lbergamini	<b>Last Updated On</b> 02/22/2012
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## General Ledger Distribution Summary

Period, Fiscal Year	Account Number	Account Description	DTF Base	Over Budget	Debits	Credits
<b>February, 2012</b>						
<b>Generated Distributions</b>						
	10-000-0-0-00-000-710-00-0-00000	ENCUMBRANCE CONTROL			77,584.89	0.00
	10-000-0-0-00-000-720-00-0-00000	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCE			0.00	77,584.89
Total Generated Distributions					<b>\$77,584.89</b>	<b>\$77,584.89</b>
<b>User-Entered Distributions</b>						
	10-000-0-0-00-000-241-00-0-00000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE			672.20	0.00
	10-000-0-0-00-000-241-00-0-00000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE			0.00	80,226.52
	10-100-2-2-14-241-611-01-5-00155	K-5 - GENERAL SUPPLIES			997.60	0.00
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	10-100-2-2-18-242-611-01-5-00187	K-5 - MATH SUPPLIES			1,303.54	0.00
	10-100-2-2-18-242-611-01-5-01149	K-5 INTERVENTION - MATH			25.40	0.00
	10-100-2-2-30-242-611-01-5-00208	K-5 - SOCIAL STUDIES SUPPLIES			237.12	0.00
	10-100-2-3-12-242-611-01-5-00182	MA - TECHNOLOGY ED SUPPLIES			251.85	0.00
	10-100-2-3-14-241-611-01-5-00157	MA - GENERAL SUPPLIES			1,548.99	0.00
	10-100-2-3-16-243-611-01-5-00246	MA - ENGLISH WORKBOOKS			113.00	0.00
	10-100-2-3-22-242-611-01-5-00194	MA - PHYSICAL ED SUPPLIES			344.04	0.00
	10-100-2-3-28-242-611-01-5-00204	MA - SCIENCE SUPPLIES			251.07	0.00
	10-100-2-3-30-242-611-01-5-00210	MA - SOCIAL STUDIES SUPPLIES			229.14	0.00
	10-100-2-4-26-242-611-01-5-01070	HS - ENGLISH SUPPLIES			287.60	0.00
	10-100-2-5-14-241-611-01-5-00873	SW - GENERAL COMPUTER SUPPLIES			290.00	0.00
	10-120-9-9-98-242-611-01-5-00216	SP ED - HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLIES			80.44	0.00
	10-120-9-9-98-242-611-01-5-00230	SES - ALP I SUPPLIES			75.39	0.00
	10-120-9-9-98-242-611-01-5-00231	HS - ALP I SUPPLIES			49.90	0.00
	10-120-9-9-98-251-580-05-5-00273	SP ED - DIRECTOR'S TRAVEL			130.57	0.00
	10-120-9-9-98-258-690-04-5-00307	SP ED - OFFICE SUPPLIES			7.98	0.00
	10-212-2-3-46-242-611-02-5-00224	MA - GUIDANCE INSTRUCT. SUPPLY			45.91	0.00
	10-212-2-4-46-242-611-02-5-00178	HS - GUIDANCE SUPPLY			100.43	0.00
	10-214-2-3-56-242-611-07-5-01027	SW - SCHOOL PSYCHOL. SUPPLIES			104.90	0.00
	10-215-9-9-94-242-611-01-5-00747	PRESCHOOL-SPEECH/HEARING SUPPL			112.70	0.00
	10-221-1-3-50-251-580-05-5-00263	MA - TRAVEL/IN-SERVICE			22.20	0.00
	10-221-1-3-50-251-580-05-5-00264	MA - PRINCIPAL'S TRAVEL			25.00	0.00

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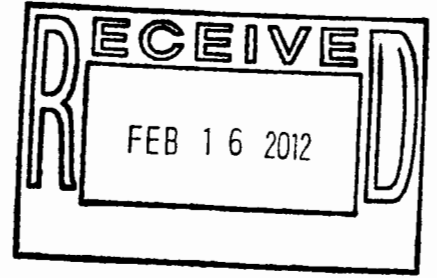
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10-320-7-4-42-880-690-06-5-01220		HS - ATHLETIC UNIFORMS			1,484.00	0.00
10-611-6-5-88-950-560-14-5-00621		VO-AG -TUITION		Yes	11,988.00	0.00
Total User-Entered Distributions					<b>\$80,898.72</b>	<b>\$80,898.72</b>
Total for February, 2012					<b>\$158,483.61</b>	<b>\$158,483.61</b>
<b>Grand Total for Batch # 5852</b>					<b>\$158,483.61</b>	<b>\$158,483.61</b>

228 Transactions Listed.



February 16, 2012

Dr. Maynard Suffredini  
Superintendent of Schools  
Somers Public Schools  
1 Vision Blvd.  
Somers, CT 06071

Dear Dr. Suffredini,

I have worked many years with goal of becoming a Director of Pupil Services. I am thankful for this opportunity here in Somers. The building administrators and staff are incredible. In fact, it is in my interactions with them that I have realized I am not happy in the central office position I now hold. I wish to be at the building level, as it is where I have found the most enjoyment and fulfillment.

I am resigning my position as Director of Pupil Services effective June 30, 2012.

Sincerely,

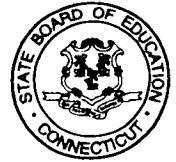
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brandy Bunnell".

Brandy Bunnell



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



February 3, 2012

Dr. Maynard Suffredini  
 Superintendent of Schools  
 Ninth District Road  
 Somers, CT 06071

Dear Dr. Suffredini:

Thank you for your participation in assisting the State of Connecticut with our 2011-12 goal of increasing the enrollment of Hartford-resident minority students in reduced racial isolation settings, as mandated by the Sheff Phase II Stipulation and Order (Order). For the State to continue to meet the Order's mandate, the numbers of Hartford-resident minority students enrolled through the Open Choice Program in suburban districts must be further increased. Our target for the 2012-13 school year is to have 2,500 Hartford-resident minority students enrolled in the program. Open Choice plays a significant role in helping us to continue to attain our goals in the Greater Hartford Region. We need to expand the number of Hartford students participating in the Open Choice Program by 1,140 students for the upcoming school year.

**Requested Seats:**

We are proposing that your district enroll an additional 25 students for the 2012-13 school year, bringing your district to an estimated total enrollment of 36 Open Choice students and a participation rate of 2.2%.

To guide your district's decision making about the grades in which you will offer seats for the 2012-13 school year, please find a chart below showing the 2012 applicant pool for each grade level. As you consider how many seats and at which grade levels you plan to offer seats please keep the following in mind:

- many districts tend to offer the most seats in kindergarten and first grade. Although we welcome seats for younger students, in order to meet our required level of participation, we need seats in all grades;
- if you wish to offer Pre-kindergarten seats, the program you offer must be full-day;
- attending a new school in a new community can be difficult for children. We urge you to seat multiple Open Choice students in the same classroom which will provide the students' mutual support and successful transition into their new school environment;
- if you would like to enroll more Open Choice students than the number specified above, we encourage you to do so. Please note that while **March 1, 2012**, is the due date for seat declarations; you may declare additional seats after that date but those seats will not be eligible for the early declaration incentive bonus described below. However, we **strongly** urge you to declare all seats prior to June 30, 2012 to ensure the smooth transition of students, their records, and transportation routing for the start of school.

**2012 Open Choice Applicant Pool**

School Year	PK4	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
2012-13	351	551	265	248	228	234	200	348	214	263	645	209	133	56	3,945

Sibling Seats:

When deciding which seats you will offer, we request that you accommodate siblings whenever possible. Capitol Region Education Council Open Choice Office surveyed current 2012-13 applicants who have siblings already enrolled in your district. The survey shows the following information:

- 1 – Sibling Applicant for a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade seat
- 1 – Sibling Applicant for a 7<sup>th</sup> grade seat
- 1 – Sibling Applicant for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade seat

More parents tend to accept Open Choice placements when siblings are placed in the same school or district.

**Funding:**

The 2011 legislative session changed the reimbursement levels for districts receiving students through the Open Choice Program. The new reimbursement levels are as follows:

Percentage of District Enrollment	Reimbursement Rate
< 2%	\$3,000
>= 2% <= 3%	\$4,000
>= 3%	\$6,000

Above we have provided your estimated participation rate which we based on the suggested number of students. You may use that figure to determine the reimbursement rate for your district at the given enrollment level. In addition, the legislation also provides a bonus for districts that declare seats prior to March 1 each year. There is up to \$500,000 available to be divided amongst the districts that meet the March 1 seat declaration deadline.

Thank you for your district's continued support of the Open Choice Program. Please e-mail the attached **Seat Declaration** form to [kathy.demsey@ct.gov](mailto:kathy.demsey@ct.gov) by **March 1, 2012**. The form should be password protected if information is included that would identify an individual student. If you have any questions or would like more detailed information, please contact Kathy Demsey at (860) 713-6542.

Sincerely,



Charlene Russell-Tucker  
Chief Operations Officer

CRT:kd  
Enclosure

- cc: David Palmer, Chair, Board of Education  
James Caradonio, RSCO/Sheff/Choice Bureau, CSDE  
Christina Kishimoto, Superintendent, Hartford Public Schools  
Bruce Douglas, Executive Director, CREC  
Debra Borrero, Director of School Choice Programs, CREC  
Riberia Jones, Open Choice Program Manager, CREC  
Enid Rey, Hartford Director, Regional School Choice Office  
Janet Foster, Bureau of Choice Programs, CSDE  
Kathy Demsey, Sheff Office, CSDE  
Timothy Dunn, Plaintiffs Representative



<b>TOTAL SEATS OFFERED</b>	2012-13															
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**SIBLING SEATS**

If any of the seats declared above in your "Proposed New Seats" section are to be reserved for siblings only, please indicate the school and grade below. This ensures that seats will be filled by siblings only.

School Name	School Year	PK 4	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
	2012-13															
	2012-13															
	2012-13															

**Comments:**

**Please reply by Thursday, March 1, 2012. Note, if student names are included on the form please provide password protection to the form and email the form and password separately.**

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 Superintendent of Schools (electronic signature) | Date

**Please email form by Thursday, March 1, 2012 to: [kathy.demsey@ct.gov](mailto:kathy.demsey@ct.gov)**  
**Kathy Demsey,**  
**Education Consultant, Sheff Office,**  
**State Department of Education**  
**55 Capitol Avenue**  
**Hartford, CT 06106**  
**(860) 713-6542**

**SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION -- CURRENT GRANTS**  
**February 27, 2012**

<u>Grant Period</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
2011-2013	\$292,655	IDEA Part B, 611 - Individuals with Disabilities
2011-2013	\$44,447	Title I - Basic Programs
2011-2013	\$18,770	Title II - Teacher Professional Development Program
2011-2013	\$10,320	IDEA Part B, 619 - Preschool Grants Program
2011-2013	\$1,469	Title III - ELL
	<u>\$367,661</u>	
2010-2012	\$351,179	Education Jobs Fund
2010-2012	\$301,271	IDEA Part B, 611 - Individuals with Disabilities
2010-2012	\$44,898	Title I - Basic Programs
2010-2012	\$23,010	Title II - Teacher Professional Development Program
2010-2012	\$10,345	IDEA Part B, 619 - Preschool Grants Program
2010-2012	\$1,314	Title III - ELL
	<u>\$732,017</u>	
2011-2012	\$27,500	Open Choice Program
2011-2012	\$13,925	Sheff Settlement - Academic Support
2011-2012	\$10,705	Adult Education Cooperative
2011-2012	\$6,500	PACT/Perkins
	<u>\$58,630</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,158,308</b>	

**SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION -- GRANT HISTORY**  
2/27/2012

<b>TWO YEAR GRANTS</b>														
	<u>98-00</u>	<u>99-01</u>	<u>00-02</u>	<u>01-03</u>	<u>02-04</u>	<u>03-05</u>	<u>04-06</u>	<u>05-07</u>	<u>06-08</u>	<u>07-09</u>	<u>08-10</u>	<u>09-11</u>	<u>10-12</u>	<u>11-13</u>
Title I							49,067	48,557	48,056	59,501	54,386	48,558	44,898	44,447
Title II	3,260	3,205	3,400	4,541	4,541	25,736	26,651	25,255	24,269	24,784	23,125	23,904	23,010	18,770
Title III											1,779	1,656	1,314	1,469
Title IV	6,800	5,556	5,831	5,930	3,697	3,672	3,642	4,559	3,627	3,658	3,175	3,091		
Title V					8,231	8,796	7,020	4,799	2,515	2,650				
Title VI	6,592	6,915	7,838	8,241										
Title VI Class Size		7,733	8,581	11,218										
IDEA 611	94,525	118,041	133,108	166,054	199,306	235,210	271,697	284,484	286,949	291,299	293,561	311,096	301,271	292,655
IDEA 619	9,667	10,051	9,925	10,457	10,481	10,491	10,532	10,529	10,547	10,567	10,378	10,400	10,345	10,320
ARRA IDEA 611												340,188		
ARRA IDEA 619												13,451		
Education Jobs Fund														351,179
Goals 2000	74,367	40,000												
Technology Infrastructure							39,082							
Long Island Sound										16,690				

<b>ONE YEAR GRANTS</b>													
	<u>99-00</u>	<u>00-01</u>	<u>01-02</u>	<u>02-03</u>	<u>03-04</u>	<u>04-05</u>	<u>05-06</u>	<u>06-07</u>	<u>07-08</u>	<u>08-09</u>	<u>09-10</u>	<u>10-11</u>	<u>11-12</u>
Adult Education	6,303	6,348	6,700	6,021	6,462	7,025	8,405	8,966	9,890	11,293	10,990	10,239	10,705
Choice	6,000	10,000	20,000	22,000	30,000	28,000	28,000	36,000	64,664	60,000	52,500	45,000	27,500
PACT (Perkins)				9,640	10,400	10,900	10,900	10,800	4,500	5,000	5,500	6,500	6,500
Sheff Settlement											26,850	16,625	13,925
ARRA Stabilization Ed Grt											544,287	844,382	
ARRA Stabilization Gov Srv											300,095		
OPM Heating Assistance										20,589			
Sliver Social Skills		36,934	22,160	20,847									
Sliver Least Restrictive				49,500	29,700	24,750							
Sliver Paraprofessional				15,000	11,500	7,500							
Technology Infrastructure		47,022	24,191	30,897									
Technology Training		46,200											
Student Achievement	5,757	2,626											
Dept Mental Health	2,400	2,400											
Police Partnership	8,956	9,000	7,500										
School to Career	30,000	30,000	22,940										
Toyota				10,000									
Long Island Sound					14,750								

<b>TOWN of SOMERS EDUCATION GRANTS</b>													
	<u>99-00</u>	<u>00-01</u>	<u>01-02</u>	<u>02-03</u>	<u>03-04</u>	<u>04-05</u>	<u>05-06</u>	<u>06-07</u>	<u>07-08</u>	<u>08-09</u>	<u>09-10</u>	<u>10-11</u>	<u>11-12</u>
Education Cost Sharing	4,209,734	4,195,184	4,268,615	4,373,954	4,462,065	4,613,706	4,814,820	4,842,462	5,657,940	5,918,636	5,074,256	5,074,256	5,918,636
Transportation	158,680	168,420	170,137	146,113	144,876	152,341	164,764	176,859	172,180	183,952	109,962	99,249	86,612

2/22/12

To: Board of Education

Fr: Bill Boutwell

Re: District Grants Update

Attached please find two reports, Current Grants and Grant History.

The Current Grants report reflects grants the district has access to during the 2011-12 fiscal year. Most of the grants span two fiscal years, 2010-2012 and 2011-2013. The majority of the funds in the 2010-2012 grants were used in fiscal year 2011 while the 2011-2013 grants are being used this year. The one major exception is the 2010-2012 Education Jobs Fund grant which is being used in 2011-2012.

The Grant History report provides 13 years of data. I would like to bring eight items in this report to your attention.

#### Top Section (Two Year Grants)

- There has been a reduction of \$26,000 (28%) in the Title grants, in total, from 2007-2009 to 2011-2013.
- The 2011-2013 IDEA 611 grant decreased \$18,000 since 2009-2011 and is back to 2007-2009 levels.
- ARRA special education grants for 2009-2011 totaling \$354,000 have ended.

#### Middle Section (One Year Grants)

- District participation in the CHOICE program provides a grant of \$27,500, however, the grant amount is \$37,000 less than in 2007-2008 due to fewer students.
- For the third year we have received a Sheff Settlement Academic Support grant.
- The ARRA Stabilization grant of \$844,000 has ended (see comment below regarding Education Cost Sharing).

#### Bottom Section (Town of Somers Education Grants)

- The 2011-2012 Education Cost Sharing (ECS) grant has increased \$844,000. However, this change did not result in an overall increase in funding due to the fact that ARRA Stabilization grant referenced above is no longer available.
- The transportation grant has experienced a \$97,000 reduction (53%) since 2008-2009.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.



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*“One School, One Voice, One Belief, One Outcome”*

## MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Maynard Suffredini

Date: February 21, 2012

Re: Class Section Comparison

Below is a table that compares class sections from this year to projected class sections for the 2012/2013 school year. I have additionally attached a master schedule, sorted by subject, so that you can see the class sizes for each course.

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>2011/2012</b>	<b>2012/2013</b>	<b>Net Gain/Loss</b>
English	31	31	0
Math	30	30	0
Social Studies	26	26	0
Science	30.5	30.5	0
World Language	20	20	0
Art	13	13	0
PE/Health	10	10	0
Business	10	10	0
Tech Ed	19	19	0
Music	4	4	0



## Master Schedule List

Build: 2012 - 2013 Catalog: 2012-2013

Number.Section	Course Name	Expression	Term	Teacher Name	Teacher Dept.	Room	Students	Max Seats
201.1	A Intro. Business (2)	5(A-F)	S1	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	20	20
201.2	A Intro. Business (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	20	20
201.3	A Intro. Business (2)	3(A-F)	S1	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	20	20
201.4	A Intro. Business (2)	5(A-F)	S1	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	20	20
329.1	Acad. English 11 (2)	5(A-F)	12-13	Simoese, Alicia	Eng	251	18	25
333.1	Acad. English 12 (2)	7(A-F)	12-13	Simoese, Alicia	Eng	251	18	22
226.1	Accounting 1 (2)	3(A-F)	12-13	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	22	25
116.1	Adv. D. & P./Portfolio (3)	7(A-F)	S1	Curran, Mary	Art	164	10	22
432.1	Advanced Math (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Targonski, Stanley	Math	125	18	25
432.2	Advanced Math (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Targonski, Stanley	Math	125	15	25
432.3	Advanced Math (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Targonski, Stanley	Math	125	18	25
425.1	Algebra 1 (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Cunningham, Amy	Math	225	13	25
425.2	Algebra 1 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Cunningham, Amy	Math	224	17	25
425.3	Algebra 1 (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	McNamee, Sarah	Math	139	17	25
425.4	Algebra 1 (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	McNamee, Sarah	Math	139	16	25
428.1	Algebra 2 (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	23	25
428.2	Algebra 2 (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	23	25
428.3	Algebra 2 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	23	25
428.4	Algebra 2 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	McNamee, Sarah	Math	139	22	25
707.1	Anc. History (3)	2(A-F)	S2	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	18	25
626.1	AP Biology (4)	8(A-F)	12-13	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	11	24
456.1	AP Calculus (4)	1(A-F)	12-13	Cunningham, Amy	Math	143	9	25
629.1	AP Chemistry (4)	3(A-F)	12-13	Suzor, Raymond	Sci	128	13	24
331.1	AP English 12 (4)	3(A-F)	12-13	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	11	22
475.1	AP Statistics (4)	8(A-F)	12-13	Targonski, Stanley	Math	125	13	25
712.1	AP U.S. Hist 1 (4)	1(A-F)	12-13	Goduti, Phil	SS	213	18	25
712.2	AP U.S. Hist 1 (4)	7(A-F)	12-13	Goduti, Phil	SS	213	19	25
953.1	Architectural Design (3)	1(A-F)	S1	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	118	12	12
953.2	Architectural Design (3)	4(A-F)	S2	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	118	12	12
221.1	B Intro. Business (2)	5(A-F)	S2	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	20	20
221.2	B Intro. Business (2)	7(A-F)	S2	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	20	20
221.3	B Intro. Business (2)	1(A-F)	S2	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	20	20

221.4	B Intro. Business (2)	7(A-F)	S2	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	20	20
156.1	Band (2)	1(A-F)	12-13	Campanelli, Anthony	Music	168	69	100
623.1	Biology (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	19	24
623.2	Biology (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	19	24
623.3	Biology (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	16	24
623.4	Biology (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	18	24
623.5	Biology (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Cormier, Susan	Sci	123	15	24
623.6	Biology (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Cormier, Susan	Sci	123	19	24
623.7	Biology (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Cavallo, Lora	Sci	224	18	24
605.1	Biotechnology (2)	5(A-F)	S1	Cavallo, Lora	Sci	115	21	25
611.1	Botany (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	16	25
611.2	Botany (2)	4(A-F)	S2	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	20	25
611.3	Botany (2)	6(A-F)	S2	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	18	25
232.1	Business Law 1 (3)	4(A-F)	S1	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	24	25
415.1	Calculus (4)	7(A-F)	12-13	Targonski, Stanley	Math	125	17	25
140.1	Ceramics 1 (2)	5(A-F)	S1	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
140.2	Ceramics 1 (2)	6(A-F)	S1	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
140.3	Ceramics 1 (2)	1(A-F)	S2	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
140.4	Ceramics 1 (2)	3(A-F)	S2	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
141.1	Ceramics 2 (3)	4(A-F)	S1	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	20	20
141.2	Ceramics 2 (3)	8(A-F)	S2	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	20	20
627.1	Chemistry (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Cormier, Susan	Sci	123	14	25
627.2	Chemistry (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Cormier, Susan	Sci	123	15	25
627.3	Chemistry (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Cormier, Susan	Sci	123	15	25
157.1	Chorus (2)	1(A-F)	12-13	Machacek, Joan	Music	400	27	75
325.1	Col. English 10 (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Simoese, Alicia	Eng	225	16	25
325.2	Col. English 10 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	18	25
325.3	Col. English 10 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	18	25
325.4	Col. English 10 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Burke, Dan	Eng	249	18	25
325.5	Col. English 10 (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Beirn, Meghan	Eng	240	18	25
325.6	Col. English 10 (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Beirn, Meghan	Eng	240	18	25
328.1	Col. English 11 (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Simoese, Alicia	Eng	251	17	25
328.2	Col. English 11 (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Simoese, Alicia	Eng	251	16	25
328.3	Col. English 11 (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Stronk, Brianna	Eng	241	20	25
328.4	Col. English 11 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Stronk, Brianna	Eng	241	18	25
328.5	Col. English 11 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Stronk, Brianna	Eng	251	17	25
332.1	Col. English 12 (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	20	25

332.2	Col. English 12 (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	20	25
332.3	Col. English 12 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	25	25
332.4	Col. English 12 (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Beirn, Meghan	Eng	240	19	25
332.5	Col. English 12 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Beirn, Meghan	Eng	240	19	25
322.1	Col. English 9 (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Stronk, Brianna	Eng	251	17	25
322.2	Col. English 9 (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Stronk, Brianna	Eng	251	21	25
322.3	Col. English 9 (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Burke, Dan	Eng	249	17	25
322.4	Col. English 9 (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Burke, Dan	Eng	249	19	25
322.5	Col. English 9 (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Burke, Dan	Eng	249	21	25
322.6	Col. English 9 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Burke, Dan	Eng	249	23	25
630.1	Col. Physics (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	Wilson, Richard	Sci	131	10	24
630.2	Col. Physics (4)	5(A-F)	12-13	Wilson, Richard	Sci	131	13	24
630.3	Col. Physics (4)	6(A-F)	12-13	Wilson, Richard	Sci	131	11	24
110.1	Computer Animation (2)	3(A-F)	S2	Stone, Peter	Tech Ed	114	19	19
111.1	Computer Art (2)	4(A-F)	S1	Stone, Peter	Tech Ed	114	19	19
431.1	Consumer Math (2)	1(A-F)	12-13	Czyzniak, Diane	Math	137	15	30
431.2	Consumer Math (2)	5(A-F)	12-13	Czyzniak, Diane	Math	137	18	30
704.1	Current Affairs (2)	3(A-F)	S1	Stone, Peter	Tech Ed	224	14	25
704.2	Current Affairs (2)	7(A-F)	S2	Stone, Peter	Tech Ed	225	15	25
945.1	Digital Photography (2)	3(A-F)	T2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	118	12	12
945.2	Digital Photography (2)	4(A-F)	T1	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	118	12	12
945.3	Digital Photography (2)	5(A-F)	T2	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	118	12	12
440.1	Disc. in Geometry (2)	1(A-F)	12-13	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	9	25
142.1	Drawing 1 (2)	4(A-F)	S1	Curran, Mary	Art	164	20	20
142.2	Drawing 1 (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Curran, Mary	Art	164	20	20
142.3	Drawing 1 (2)	3(A-F)	S2	Curran, Mary	Art	164	20	20
143.1	Drawing 2 (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Curran, Mary	Art	164	14	20
143.2	Drawing 2 (3)	7(A-F)	S2	Curran, Mary	Art	164	16	20
434.1	Elem. Functions (4)	5(A-F)	12-13	Cunningham, Amy	Math	143	21	25
434.2	Elem. Functions (4)	6(A-F)	12-13	Cunningham, Amy	Math	143	20	25
941.1	Engineering Graphics I w/Solidworks (2)	6(A-F)	S1	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	122	12	12
941.2	Engineering Graphics I w/Solidworks (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	122	12	12
941.3	Engineering Graphics I w/Solidworks (2)	6(A-F)	S2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	122	12	12
943.1	Engineering Graphics II w/CAM (3)	6(A-F)	S2	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	118	7	12
865.1	English I (1)	3(A-F)	12-13	Croteau, Kate	Special Ed	233	2	8
210.1	Entrepreneurship (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	11	25
991.1	Food Service 1 (1)	1(A-F)	12-13	Tracy, Lynn	Tech Ed	170	11	17
991.2	Food Service 1 (1)	2(A-F)	12-13	Tracy, Lynn	Tech Ed	170	12	17
992.1	Food Service 2 (2)	3(A-F)	12-13	Tracy, Lynn	Tech Ed	170	9	17

616.1	Forensics Survey I (2)	6(A-F)	S1	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	23	23
616.2	Forensics Survey I (2)	1(A-F)	S2	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	23	23
436.1	Fundamentals of Math (1)	3(A-F)	12-13	Ferry, Melinda	Math	237	2	8
436.2	Fundamentals of Math (1)	4(A-F)	12-13	Ferry, Melinda	Math	237	3	8
426.1	Geometry (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Czyzniak, Diane	Math	137	20	25
426.2	Geometry (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Czyzniak, Diane	Math	137	20	25
426.3	Geometry (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Czyzniak, Diane	Math	137	20	25
954.1	Graphic Design I (3)	8(A-F)	S2	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	225	14	14
954.2	Graphic Design I (3)	5(A-F)	S1	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	112	14	14
954.3	Graphic Design I (3)	6(A-F)	S1	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	225	14	14
954.4	Graphic Design I (3)	1(A-F)	S2	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	112	14	14
954.5	Graphic Design I (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	225	14	14
955.1	Graphic Design II (3)	2(A-F)	S1	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	118	13	14
955.2	Graphic Design II (3)	6(A-F)	S1	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	118	12	14
956.1	Graphic Design III (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	118	12	12
513.12	Health 3&4 (1)	7(A-F)	T4	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.1	Health 3&4 (1)	2(A-F)	T1	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.2	Health 3&4 (1)	4(A-F)	T1	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	24	25
513.3	Health 3&4 (1)	6(A-F)	T1	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	22	25
513.4	Health 3&4 (1)	2(A-F)	T2	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	20	25
513.5	Health 3&4 (1)	6(A-F)	T2	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	22	25
513.6	Health 3&4 (1)	7(A-F)	T2	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.7	Health 3&4 (1)	2(A-F)	T3	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	22	25
513.8	Health 3&4 (1)	3(A-F)	T3	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.9	Health 3&4 (1)	7(A-F)	T3	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.10	Health 3&4 (1)	3(A-F)	T4	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	21	25
513.11	Health 3&4 (1)	4(A-F)	T4	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	22	25
429.1	Hon. Algebra 2 (4)	1(A-F)	12-13	McNamee, Sarah	Math	139	16	25
429.2	Hon. Algebra 2 (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	McNamee, Sarah	Math	139	19	25
324.1	Hon. English 10 (4)	5(A-F)	12-13	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	18	25
327.1	Hon. English 11 (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	21	30
321.1	Hon. English 9 (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	Beirn, Meghan	Eng	240	19	25
134.1	Honors Art (4)	6(A-F)	12-13	Curran, Mary	Art	164	17	20
628.1	Honors Chemistry (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	Suzor, Raymond	Sci	128	19	24
628.2	Honors Chemistry (4)	6(A-F)	12-13	Suzor, Raymond	Sci	128	19	24
628.3	Honors Chemistry (4)	8(A-F)	12-13	Wilson, Richard	Sci	131	18	24
427.1	Honors Geometry (4)	4(A-F)	12-13	Castro, Carla	Math	143	18	25

427.2	Honors Geometry (4)	5(A-F)	12-13	Castro, Carla	Math	255	17	25
427.3	Honors Geometry (4)	6(A-F)	12-13	Castro, Carla	Math	255	18	25
204.1	Integ. Comp. Apps. (3)	2(A-F)	S1	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	18	18
204.2	Integ. Comp. Apps. (3)	3(A-F)	S2	Clement, Daniel	Bus	120	18	18
204.3	Integ. Comp. Apps. (3)	4(A-F)	S2	Clement, Daniel	Bus	114	18	18
600.1	Integrated Science (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Wilson, Richard	Sci	131	23	24
600.2	Integrated Science (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Suzor, Raymond	Sci	128	24	24
600.3	Integrated Science (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Kelleher, Michelle	Sci	115	24	24
600.4	Integrated Science (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Folger, James	Sci	111	24	24
600.5	Integrated Science (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Folger, James	Sci	111	24	24
600.6	Integrated Science (3)	6(A-F)	12-13	Folger, James	Sci	111	24	24
101.1	Intro/Art (1)	3(A-F)	S1	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
101.2	Intro/Art (1)	4(A-F)	S1	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
101.3	Intro/Art (1)	6(A-F)	S1	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
101.4	Intro/Art (1)	5(A-F)	S2	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
101.5	Intro/Art (1)	7(A-F)	S2	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
101.6	Intro/Art (1)	8(A-F)	S2	Kipfer, Kyle	Art	112	20	20
158.1	Jazz Choir (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Machacek, Joan	Music	400	10	25
614.1	Law and Science (2)	2(A-F)	S2	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	6	25
614.2	Law and Science (2)	3(A-F)	S2	Folger, James	Sci	111	7	25
907.1	Manufacturing I (2)	2(A-F)	S2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	124	12	12
907.2	Manufacturing I (2)	3(A-F)	S2	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	124	11	12
907.3	Manufacturing I (2)	8(A-F)	S2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	124	11	12
908.1	Manufacturing II (2)	1(A-F)	S1	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	133	12	12
908.2	Manufacturing II (2)	4(A-F)	S1	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	133	12	12
909.1	Manufacturing III (3)	4(A-F)	S2	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	124	9	12
612.1	Marine Science (3)	1(A-F)	S1	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	6	23
612.2	Marine Science (3)	2(A-F)	S1	Legg, Karen	Sci	119	11	23
211.1	Marketing (3)	2(A-F)	S1	Mayo, Michael	Bus	140	22	25
708.1	Med. History (3)	5(A-F)	S1	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	11	25
845.1	Morning Meeting 1 (1)	1(A-F)	S1	Byrnes, Mike	Special Ed	243	4	20
845.2	Morning Meeting 1 (1)	2(A-F)	S1	Byrnes, Mike	Special Ed	243	5	20
846.1	Morning Meeting 2 (1)	1(A-F)	S2	Byrnes, Mike	Special Ed	243	3	20
846.2	Morning Meeting 2 (1)	2(A-F)	S2	Byrnes, Mike	Special Ed	243	5	20
152.1	Music Theory 1 (2)	5(A-F)	S1	Campanelli, Anthony	Music	168	9	20
503.1	P.E. 2 (1)	1(A-F)	S1	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	30	30
503.2	P.E. 2 (1)	6(A-F)	S2	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	30	30
717.1	Philosophy (3)	5(A-F)	S1	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	20	25
717.2	Philosophy (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	19	25
506.1	Physical Education: Ind. Games/Activit.	3(A-F)	S1	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	25	25
506.2	Physical Education: Ind. Games/Activit.	8(A-F)	S2	Bley-Gowash, Tammy	PE	230	25	25
502.1	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	2(A-F)	S1	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.2	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	4(A-F)	S1	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25

502.3	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	6(A-F)	S1	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.4	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	7(A-F)	S1	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.5	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	8(A-F)	S1	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.6	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	2(A-F)	S2	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	19	25
502.7	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	3(A-F)	S2	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	19	25
502.8	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	4(A-F)	S2	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.9	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	6(A-F)	S2	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	20	25
502.10	Physical Education: Team Games/Activitie	8(A-F)	S2	Hanover, Robert	PE	300	19	25
114.1	Printmaking	3(A-F)	S1	Curran, Mary	Art	164	18	22
114.2	Printmaking	1(A-F)	S2	Curran, Mary	Art	164	16	22
716.1	Psychology (3)	4(A-F)	S2	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	25	25
716.2	Psychology (3)	3(A-F)	S1	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	16	25
716.3	Psychology (3)	7(A-F)	S2	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	21	25
360.1	Reading (1)	1(A-F)	12-13	Croteau, Kate	Special Ed	233	6	8
860.1	Res Skills (1)	2(A-F)	S1	Croteau, Kate	Special Ed	233	7	8
912.1	Res. and Dev. (4)	2(A-F)	12-13	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	136	9	14
947.1	Robotics	3(A-F)	S1	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	116	12	12
947.2	Robotics	5(A-F)	S2	Kosloski, Nicholas	Tech Ed	116	12	12
343.1	SAT E Prep (1)	6(A-F)	T1	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	23	25
343.2	SAT E Prep (1)	3(A-F)	T2	Ohlund, Jennifer	Eng	232	21	25
443.1	SAT M Prep (1)	2(A-F)	T1	Castro, Carla	Math	143	0	25
443.2	SAT M Prep (1)	1(A-F)	T2	Castro, Carla	Math	LMC	0	25
866.1	Science I (1)	4(A-F)	12-13	Croteau, Kate	Special Ed	233	0	8
144.1	Sculpture 1 (2)	3(A-F)	S1	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
144.2	Sculpture 1 (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
144.3	Sculpture 1 (2)	6(A-F)	S2	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
145.1	Sculpture 2 (3)	4(A-F)	S2	Burda, Sarah	Art	166	18	18
867.1	Social Studies I (1)	2(A-F)	12-13	Ferry, Melinda	Math	237	1	8
718.1	Sociology (3)	3(A-F)	S1	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	24	25
340.1	Speech and Debate (3)	8(A-F)	S1	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	15	25
340.2	Speech and Debate (3)	2(A-F)	S2	Martin, Janice	Eng	253	19	25
410.1	Statistics (3)	2(A-F)	S1	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	25	27
410.2	Statistics (3)	8(A-F)	S2	Lachance, Brian	Math	127	26	27
728.1	Trial Techniques (3)	7(A-F)	S1	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	17	25
728.2	Trial Techniques (3)	2(A-F)	S2	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	14	25
413.1	Trigonometry (3)	7(A-F)	S1	Castro, Carla	Math	143	18	25
413.2	Trigonometry (3)	1(A-F)	S2	Castro, Carla	Math	224	19	25
413.3	Trigonometry (3)	8(A-F)	S2	Castro, Carla	Math	143	19	25
720.1	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Goduti, Phil	SS	213	22	25
720.2	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Goduti, Phil	SS	213	21	25
720.3	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	5(A-F)	12-13	Dzicek, Marc	SS	215	21	25
720.4	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Dzicek, Marc	SS	215	21	25
720.5	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	7(A-F)	12-	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	21	25

720.6	US Hist./Civics 1 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	21	25
721.1	US Hist./Civics 2 (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	23	25
721.2	US Hist./Civics 2 (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	23	25
721.3	US Hist./Civics 2 (3)	7(A-F)	12-13	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	23	25
721.4	US Hist./Civics 2 (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Goduti, Phil	SS	213	22	25
913.1	Welding (2)	8(A-F)	T1	Niziolek, Mike	Tech Ed	133	12	12
705.1	World Between Wars (3)	8(A-F)	S1	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	16	25
705.2	World Between Wars (3)	5(A-F)	S2	Drummey, Andrew	SS	211	17	25
702.1	World History (3)	4(A-F)	12-13	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	24	25
702.2	World History (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Macaluso, Matt	SS	227	19	25
702.3	World History (3)	1(A-F)	12-13	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	18	25
702.4	World History (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Angelica, Kristen	SS	229	19	25
702.5	World History (3)	2(A-F)	12-13	Dzicek, Marc	SS	215	19	25
702.6	World History (3)	3(A-F)	12-13	Dzicek, Marc	SS	215	22	25
702.7	World History (3)	8(A-F)	12-13	Dzicek, Marc	SS	215	19	25
940.1	World of Technology (2)	8(A-F)	S1	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	136	14	14
940.2	World of Technology (2)	6(A-F)	S2	Slater, Roy	Tech Ed	136	14	14

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – February 27, 2012**

**Members Present:** J.Formeister, R.Lees, M.Cicciarella, B.Devlin, B.Pellissier, A.Kirkpatrick, M.Maniscalco

**Members Absent:** D.Palmer, S.Bollinger

**Administrators Present:** M.Suffredini, K.Pezza, B.Boutwell, G.Cotzin, P.Bryzgel

**Staff Present:**

**Citizens Present:** R.Stone

**Students Present:** K.Morrell, J.Olynciw, J.Locswell, D.Scibelli, G.Bernier, S.Murphy, T.Donovan

**Others:**

**1.0 BUDGET HEARING**

The Board of Education Budget Hearing was held at the Somers Elementary School auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

**2.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by Vice Chairman Formeister in the Somers Elementary School Media Center.

**3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION – Salary & Negotiations**

It was MOVED (R.Lees) SECONDED (B.Devlin) for the Board to go into Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. for the purpose of Salary & Negotiations and pending claims and litigation involving civil case #HHB-CV-11-601-35725 as presented. PASSED 7-0

Attendees include: J.Formeister, R.Lees, M.Cicciarella, B.Devlin, B.Pellissier, A.Kirkpatrick, M.Maniscalco, and M.Suffredini. The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:34 p.m.

**5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

February 13, 2012 – It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (M.Maniscalco) to approve the February 13, 2012 Board of Education meeting minutes. PASSED 7-0

**6.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

**7.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**8.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS**

**8.1 Addition of the Ratification of the SESA Contract**

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to add the ratification of the SESA Contract to the BOE meeting agenda under item 10.3 as presented. PASSED 7-0

**9.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**9.1 Approval of Bills 2/27/12 (\$79,544.32)**

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to approve the 02/27/12 Bills in the amount of \$79,544.32 as presented. PASSED 7-0

**9.2 Resignation (B.Bunnell)**

Brandy Bunnell, Director of Pupil Services, submitted her resignation to be effective at the conclusion of this school year.

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to accept the resignation of Brandy Bunnell, Director of Pupil Services, to be effective at the conclusion of the school year as presented. PASSED 7-0

**10.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**10.1 Vote to Amend 2012-2013 Budget**

The Superintendent received new information from Ovation regarding health insurance premiums for next year. Since the 2/13/12 BOE meeting, Anthem has reduced the cost by an additional \$138,231 which will reduce the overall budget increase for 2012-2013 school year to 2.55%. It is the Superintendent's recommendation to amend and revote the 2012-2013 budget to reflect the changes stated.

It was MOVED (B.Pellissier) SECONDED (B.Devlin) to amend and revote 2012-2013 budget as recommended by the Superintendent. PASSED 7-0

**10.2 Open Choice Program**

Annually, it is required to review the availability of seats to expand the Open Choice Program. Presently, there are 11 Choice students enrolled in our district, however, we have 24 seats allotted. It is the Superintendent's recommendation to maintain the same allotment for next year.

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (R.Lees) to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to maintain the same number of allotted seats for students in the Open Choice Program as presented. PASSED 7-0

**10.3 Ratification of the SESA Contract**

The Board reviewed the tentative contract agreement ratified by the SESA.

It was MOVED (M.Cicciarella) SECONDED (M.Maniscalco) to ratify the SESA Contract as presented. PASSED 7-0

**11.0 OLD BUSINESS**

**12.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**12.1 District Grants Update**

Director of Business, B.Boutwell, presented to the Board a district grants update. Most of the grants span two fiscal years 2010-2012 and 2011-2013. The majority of the funds in the 2010-2012 grants were used in fiscal year 2011 while the 2011-2013 grants are being used this year. One major exception is the 2010-2012 Education Jobs Fund grant, which is being used in 2011-2012.

Points of interest include: a reduction of \$26,000 (28%) in Title grants from 2007-2011-2013, ARRA special education grants for 2009-2011 totaling \$354,000 have ended, a third year of receiving a Sheff Settlement Academic Support grant, and the ARRA Stabilization grant of \$844,000 has also ended. The 2011-2012 Education Cost Sharing (ECS) grant has increased \$844,000 due to the ARRA Stabilization grant no longer being available.

**12.2 Annual Scheduling – Class Size Update**

Somers High School Principal and Vice Principal, G.Cotzin and P.Bryzgel, presented to the Board the annual class size update. 8<sup>th</sup> graders are brought to SHS in January to learn about course offerings in 9<sup>th</sup> grade in addition to guidance counselors coming to Mabelle B. Avery Middle School to discuss courses. Students spend an entire day going through all eight high school periods to mimic the 9<sup>th</sup> grade environment and get outlined courses approved.

G.Cotzin noted that the high school has a system of checks and balances to ensure students are enrolled in the right courses for their success. Parents are also required to sign-off on approved courses. The class selections for 2012-2013 show no change from the 2011-2012 school year. G.Cotzin also noted that a lot of tweaking with class size and scheduling will be taking place during the next couple of weeks to try and balance classes and accommodate the BOE requirement for minimum number of seats filled (10).

**13.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.**

**13.1 Budget –** See 10.1 for Amendment/Revote for 2012-2013 Budget

**13.2 Curriculum –** No Update

**13.3 Policy –** The Policy Committee is meeting next Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

**13.4 Salary & Negotiations –** See 10.3 for Ratification of SESA Contract

**13.5 Planning Committee –** No Update

**13.6 Other Committees**

Technology Ad Hoc Committee – The Technology Ad Hoc Committee met on Monday, February 27, 2012 and will meet again on a to be determined date.

**14.0 OTHER**

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED (B.Devlin) SECONDED (B.Pellissier) to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 8:10 p.m. PASSED 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary  
Leah Cook, Recording Secretary

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