

APPROVED 05/26/09

A. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance: Sally Peavey (left at 7:47), Aaron Spruance, Amy Labbe, Tom O'Rourke, Heather DeLuca, Kimberly Coombs, and Janet Tyler, Superintendent

Ray Sulich, Jr. arrived at 8:36 p.m.

Sally Peavey called the Canterbury Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 12, 2009.

B. ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add: F.2.c. Administrative Study
Move: G. New Business to E.
E. Routine Business Items to F.
F. Superintendent of School's Report/Possible Action to G.
Move others down.

Motion: To accept the changes to the agenda.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor

C. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from visitors in the audience.

D. CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

Cindy Davis and students from her third grade class demonstrated Activity Bursts. This activity allows students to stretch after sitting for long periods of time and to better focus on teaching and learning.

The International Association of Approved Basketball Officials Eastern Board #8 announced that the Baldwin Middle School girl's varsity basketball team was the recipient of the 2009 Roger LaFrancois, Sr. Sportsmanship Award. The team was applauded for their achievements.

A short recess began at 7:20 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

E. NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Sound System Presentation

Jim Molkenthin, Canterbury Athletic Association President, along with Ralph Watson gave an overview of the sound system that the CAA would like to donate to the Baldwin Middle School. This state of the art system is valued at \$17,000 and has the capacity for expansion.

Motion: To accept the gift from the Canterbury Athletic Association of the sound system.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Kimberly Coombs
Vote: All In favor

F. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – Business Meeting, April 21, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Hold until the next Board meeting.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting, May 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting minutes for May 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Kimberly Coombs

Abstained: Amy Labbe

Vote: In favor

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting, May 5, 2009, 7:30 p.m.

Motion: To approve the Special Meeting minutes for May 5, 2009, 7:30 p.m.

By: Kimberly Coombs

Seconded: Amy Labbe

Vote: All in favor

2. Board of Education Committee/Meeting Reports

- a. Facilities Committee

Aaron Spruance reported that there were concerns about Millennium, the company used to test the water at the schools. Quotes are being reviewed, including the company Aqua.

Aaron also discussed the current alarm system and testing company. The recommendation is to change to Sonitrol, which will perform the initial testing and will also provide more benefit than we are currently receiving. It is also a company more commonly used by other districts. The current contract ends in July and the change will be made at that time.

Motion: To change the alarm system and testing to Sonitrol.

By: Kimberly Coombs

Seconded: Amy Labbe

Vote: All in favor

- b. Community Conversations

Kim Coombs reported that the invitations for Community Conversations scheduled for May 28 have been sent and we are receiving responses. Training will be held on May 20 for the moderators and recorders.

- c. Administrative Study

Aaron Spruance reported that the first meeting of the Administrative Study Committee will be held on May 13, 2009. The committee consists of nine members. Aaron was asked to provide an update at the next Board meeting.

3. Administrators' Reports

The Administrators' reports were reviewed.

G. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Enrollment

The enrollment report was discussed.

2. Communications Committee (1+1+1)

The Superintendent reported that the committee met last week. Brian Sear and Sally Peavey participated in a live interview at WINY Radio.

A preliminary audit will be done in June with the bulk being done in mid-August. Completion should be in October.

The referendum will be held on May 27.

The committee also discussed getting volunteers to help paint the Baldwin Middle School.

3. School Readiness Grant

Cathy Ferguson, CES Principal, stated that there is no change in the School Readiness Grant. The grant amount is \$107,000 and will provide free preschool to four year olds as well as three year olds.

Motion: To accept the School Readiness Grant for the 2009-10 school year.

By: Kimberly Coombs

Seconded: Amy Labbe

Vote: All in favor

4. 2008-2009 Budget Update

Janice Thurlow provided an update on the 2008-2009 budget.

H. UNFINISHED AND ONGOING BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Proposed 2009-2010 Budget

Tom O'Rourke stated that the Board voted to accept the Canterbury Administrators' Association proposal for 2009-10 for two furlough days for a cost savings of \$2,652.

Tom read a letter from Sally Peavey asking to amend the budget cuts and included recommendations for additional cuts.

Janet Tyler provided copies of the 2009-10 budget sheets and the schedules for Special Areas. She also stated that the Canterbury Education Association rejected the dental proposal and that the Custodians Association submitted a letter stating they would be willing to discuss the cuts and opening the contract to discuss options. The physical therapist at CES requested that the students receive more activity and physical exercise. The intention is to use stimulus money to have adaptive physical education. There is a staff member who is qualified to perform the job.

The Board members discussed the following budget changes:

Reductions:

H.S. Tuition	\$ 5,751
Pupil Services	\$ 40,000
Medical Insurance	\$ 5,662
Anthem 1%	\$ 14,337
Guardian	\$ 4,252
Dumpster	\$ 1,300
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 6,000
Custodian Stipend	\$ 3,236
Transportation	\$ 6,000
Business Office	\$ 3,050
Library CES	\$ 1,862
Library BMS	\$ 25,748
Art (.8)	\$ 9,900
Health (.8)	\$ 10,514
Administrators' Furlough	\$ 2,652
<i>Total Reductions</i>	<u>\$140,264</u>

Additions:

CES Music increase .1	<u>\$ 7,144</u>
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Reduction from General BOE Budget \$133,120

Motion: To add .1 to the CES music position.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Kimberly Coombs

Vote: All in favor

Motion: To accept the budget cuts as delineated in the amount of \$133,120.

By: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Seconded: Aaron Spruance

Vote: All in favor

I. RECOGNITION OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The board heard comments from visitors in the audience.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn at 9:38 p.m.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Kimberly Coombs

Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board