

**APPROVED 1/26/10**

**A. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER**

In Attendance: Sally Peavey, Tom O'Rourke, Heather DeLuca, Amy Labbe, John Ellston,  
Kimberly Coombs, and Janet Tyler, Superintendent

Ray Sulich, Jr. arrived at 7:11 p.m. Amy Labbe arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Sally Peavey called the Canterbury Board of Education meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**B. ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Add: H.2. Mohegan Sun Grant  
K.2. Teacher's Contract  
L. Action on Superintendent's Contract

Move: L becomes M

Motion: To accept the changes to the agenda.

By: Sally Peavey

Seconded: Tom O'Rourke

Vote: All in favor

**C. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

None.

**D. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOE MEMBERS**

Sally Peavey received a note from Betty Lema thanking everyone for their donations to the Don Lema Scholarship Fund.

**E. CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE**

Exiting Board members Heather DeLuca, Ray Sulich, Jr., Kimberly Coombs, and Aaron Spruance were recognized for their time and dedication to the BOE. New members John Ellston, Louis Pecoraro, Stephen Brown, and Carl Thurlow were welcomed as additional members to the Board.

A short recess began at 7:15 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:27 p.m.

**F. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Approval of Minutes – Business Meeting, October 27, 2009

Motion: To approve the Business Meeting minutes for October 27, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Tom O'Rourke

Abstained: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Vote: In favor

2. Administrators' Reports

The Board discussed the administrators' reports. Catherine Ferguson, CES Principal, answered questions regarding the reports.

**G. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. Enrollment

The Board discussed enrollment numbers.

2. H1N1

The Superintendent discussed the H1N1 Data which shows CES and DHBMS attendance affected by flu-like symptoms.

The H1N1 vaccine information will be sent to the students at both schools. The date for the clinic has not been set. Nurses from the Northeast District Department of Health (NDDH) will be administering the vaccines at both schools.

3. Resignation

Andrea Luis resigned from her nursing position at CES.

4. Communications Committee

The Communications Committee met on November 9. Discussion included the budget, preliminary audit, new budget process, Board activities and orientation of new members, bike riders, energy efficiency grant, Butts Bridge Road Project, Prudence Crandall Museum and the CES roof.

5. BOE New Member Orientation

Each new Board member received an orientation packet which included CAFE workshop and convention.

The Board asked that an invitation be extended to Nick Caruso from CAFE to provide an orientation to all Board members.

6. Butts Bridge Road Update

The Superintendent and Transportation Coordinator attended a DOT meeting to discuss the Butts Bridge Road Project. The road will be closed April 1 through August 16, 2010. Detours will be marked and buses will be rerouted.

7. Strategic School Profile

The 2008-09 Strategic School Profile was discussed. The administrators answered questions from the Board.

8. 2009-2010 Budget

Janice Thurlow provided an update on the current budget. Janice also provided answers to questions from the previous Board meeting.

#### **H. NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION**

##### 1. BOE 2010 meeting dates – First Read

Motion: To accept BOE 2010 meeting dates as a first read.  
By: Kimberly Coombs  
Seconded: Heather DeLuca  
Abstained: Ray Sulich, Jr.  
Vote: All in favor

##### 2. Mohegan Sun Grant

Catherine Ferguson, CES Principal, requested the Board's permission to apply for the Mohegan Sun Challenge Grant in the amount of \$1,000.

Motion: To submit the Mohegan Sun Challenge Grant application in the amount of \$1,000.  
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.  
Seconded: John Ellston  
Vote: All in favor

#### **I. OLD BUSINESS**

##### 1. Administrative Study Committee Report

Aaron Spruance and members of the Administrative Study Committee provided a report on the Committee's findings.

#### **J. RECOGNITION OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

The Board heard comments from visitors in the audience.

#### **K. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

##### 1. Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract

##### 2. Teacher's Contract

Aaron Spruance was invited to attend the Executive Session.

Motion: To adjourn into Executive Session at 9:14 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's Evaluation/Contract and Teacher's Contract  
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.  
Seconded: Heather DeLuca  
Vote: All in favor

Came out of Executive Session at 10:07 p.m.

#### **L. ACTION ON SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT**

Motion: To approve the Superintendent's Contract 2009-2012 and to authorize the BOE Chair to sign on behalf of the Board.  
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Seconded: Kimberly Coombs

Vote: All in favor

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: To adjourn at 10:08 p.m.

By: Kimberly Coombs

Seconded: Amy Labbe

Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board