

CANTERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF MEETING

January 9, 2007
7:00 p.m.

Approved 1/16/07 BOE

Ray Sulich Jr., called the Canterbury Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 9, 2007 (date incorrect on agenda as January 9, 2006) in the media center at Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School, 45 Westminster Road, Canterbury, Ct. 06331

IN ATTENDANCE: Ray Sulich Jr., Heather DeLuca, Sally Peavey, Kimberly Coombs, Pat Arnio, Aaron Spruance and Dr. Sandra Suplicki, Superintendent

Absent: Carl Thurlow

COMMUNITY BUDGET HEARING

(Recognition of and Comments from Visitors on Budget Issues Only)

None

ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion: To add "Additions and/or Corrections to the Agenda" and to renumber the remainder.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Pat Arnio
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To add under "Superintendent's Report/Possible Action" 6. c. Policy Committee Report.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To add under "New Business" 8. d. Setting tuition rate for the 2006/2007 school year.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To add under "Communications" 5. b. Report on CEA Projects.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To add under "New Business" 8. e. Setting meeting date with Brooklyn on the Woodstock Academy Budget Tuition.
By: Sally Peavey
Seconded: Heather DeLuca
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To add under "Executive Session" 11. b. Self Evaluation of Board of Education.
By: Sally Peavey
Seconded: Pat Arnio
Vote: All in favor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes of 12-12-06.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Sally Peavey

Discussion. Heather requested to reword the last sentence in the first paragraph of “Old Business” to read: For example, if it is raining, it is not acceptable anymore due to safety concerns, of holding the door open.

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes of 12-12-06 as amended.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To accept the special meeting minutes of 12-22-06.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Sally Peavey

Discussion.

Vote: All in favor

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

A letter of thanks was received from Mrs. Porter-Price commending the school district for the education provided to the children of Canterbury. The board commented that this was really nice to see.

Dr. Suplicki commended the CEA and wanted to let the board be aware of projects our teachers are doing. They raised money for the town library which was matched by the union itself for a total of \$429.00. They also adopted a family for the holidays. What they did for that family was truly astounding.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

A short presentation of the “Edvocate Report” was heard and discussed by the board. The three items that Edvocate believes are most important 1. Management Organization, 2. Task Schedules/Operating Procedures with Manuals, and 3. Training Sessions.

The Policy Committee Reported that policies 5131 through 5131.911 is scheduled for 2/22/07 and another meeting is currently scheduled for 2/28/07.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget update: We are still on track to end the year in the black. We are realizing savings due to the mild winter however all of this could change. We have pending special education issues which could alter the picture dramatically.

The floor bid was tabled at the last meeting. Discussion.

Motion: To award the bid to Advantage Sport for the Taraflex Sport M flooring for \$28,069.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Heather DeLuca

Discussion on the maintenance occurred. Dr. Suplicki noted that dry and wet mopping were virtually all that has to be done for the upkeep.

Vote: All in favor

NEW BUSINESS

Motion: To table Policy 2121.
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Kim Coombs
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To approve the job description of "Finance Coordinator".
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Heather DeLuca

Discussion:

Motion: To approve the job description of "Finance Coordinator" adding to item 9. "Responsible for all "Fiscal" aspects of grant management and administration".
By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Kim Coombs
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To set the tuition rate of \$10,801 for the 06/07 school year.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: All in favor

DISTRIBUTIONS

Canterbury Tales was published in January. Enrollment is down one kindergarten student and one third grade student.

RECOGNITION OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The board heard comments from visitors.

Aaron Spruance left at 8:49 pm prior to executive session.

Motion: To move into Executive Session at 8:49 p.m.
By: Sally Peavey
Seconded: Pat Arnio
Vote: All in favor

Patricia Arnio left executive session at 9:05 pm

Motion: To come out of executive session at 9:50 pm.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Kimberly Coombs
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To adjourn executive session at 9:50 pm.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Kim Coombs
Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board