

Ray Sulich Jr., called the Canterbury Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on June 26, 2007 in the media center at Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School, 45 Westminster Road, Canterbury, Ct. 06331

IN ATTENDANCE: Ray Sulich Jr., Carl Thurlow, Pat Arnio, Heather DeLuca, Kimberly Coombs, Sally Peavey, Aaron Spruance and Dean Toepfer, Acting Superintendent

#### **ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

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

None

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: To approve the special meeting minutes of June 8, 2007.  
By: Heather DeLuca  
Seconded: Carl Thurlow  
Vote yes: Aaron Spruance, Heather DeLuca, Carl Thurlow, Kim Coombs  
Abstained: Pat Arnio, Sally Peavey, Ray Sulich, Jr.

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes of June 12, 2007.  
By: Sally Peavey  
Seconded: Kimberly Coombs

For clarification under "New Business" Budget Discussions – possible action, the last line would read. The .5 savings will come from the superintendent not taking the benefits.

Vote: Yes. All in favor

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Town Newsletter – Representative: Kim Coombs reported that she has a rough draft ready and it will be completed prior to June 28<sup>th</sup>. The staffing committee focus group dates will be added.

CL&P Generator Proposal Update: Chris Hagen is working on a proposal with CL&P where they would give us a discount at DHBMS of approximately \$350 per month. We would in turn use the generator during the peak summer hours when usage is extremely high, for example during a heat wave. The generator would be used only sparingly and only when school is closed. Many questions arose concerning this topic and it was felt further research needed to be done before a decision could be made.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Budget Update: Our budget is in good shape. The BOF will have a meeting right after the referendum to either set the mill rate or make additional budget cuts.

First Reading – Series 5000s Policies – Partial package.

MOTION: To table the Series 5000 until the next board meeting of July 10, 2007.  
By: Sally Peavey  
Seconded: Kim Coombs  
Vote: All in favor

NESDEC Superintendent Search Update: The brochure created by NESDEC was distributed the board members. The Board felt that the brochure needed consolidating of information. Ray will send a marked up copy to Jim Connolly for revisions. The total for the search will be \$ 10,730. The breakdown is as follows: professional fees are \$7,610 and the expenses will be \$3,120.

Mac Computer Disposal Request: Alan Tortolani made a request to dispose of 23 Mac computers. It was first thought to give these away but seeing the condition of them was so bad Mr. Tortolani suggested they be recycled. They have a program which will dispose of them “free of charge” and recycle the remains.

MOTION: To dispose the 23 Mac computers to the program Mr. Tortolani has suggested.  
By: Sally Peavey  
Seconded: Heather DeLuca  
Vote: All in favor

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS**

- a) Updated Budget Book dated 6/12/07
- b) Woodstock Academy Letter of Commendation – Two Canterbury students, Andrew Porter-Price and Amy Jagaczewski were selected for a Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) Student Leadership Award.

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

The board heard comments from an audience of visitors.

Motion: To adjourn at 7:53 p.m. to go into executive session for the purpose of board self evaluation and a personnel matter.

By: Pat Arnio  
Seconded: Sally Peavey  
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To come out of executive session at 8:37 pm.

By: Pat Arnio  
Seconded: Sally Peavey  
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm.

By: Pat Arnio  
Seconded: Carl Thurlow  
Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board