

BOE Approved 7/11/06 with changes

Lorna Champagne, Chairperson, called the Canterbury Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 27, 2006, in the media center at Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School, 45 Westminster Road, Canterbury, Ct. 06331

IN ATTENDANCE: Lorna Champagne, Pat Arnio, Heather DeLuca, Sally Peavey, Kimberly Coombs, Ray Sulich Jr. (arrived at 6:50 pm), Carl Thurlow, and Dr. Sandra Suplicki, Superintendent

ABSENT: None

MOTION: To go into executive session at 6:01 pm to discuss pending litigation and begin the superintendent's evaluation.

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

Motion: To come out of executive session at 6:55 p.m.

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

Lorna Champagne called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

RECOGNITION OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from the audience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: To approve the minutes of June 13, 2006, as presented.

By: Pat Arnio
Seconded: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Discussion. Heather DeLuca asked that the middle of the second page be reworded to read: Dr. Suplicki said that the wellness committee will meet periodically to review the implementation of **third** policy.

Vote: All in favor

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

Dr. Suplicki noted that our longest-tenured teacher, Mr. Andy Semancik, III is retiring after 37 years with the district. He has been a wonderful teacher and inspiration throughout the years. He has requested the same consideration with his insurance that was given to the other recent retirees.

Motion: That the money received from the Teacher Retirement Board be used to offset the premium share of Andy Semancik's insurance for the first two and a half years of retirement.

By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Kim Coombs
Vote Yes: Kim Coombs, Carl Thurlow, Heather DeLuca, Lorna Champagne, Pat Arnio
Vote No: Ray Sulich Jr., Sally Peavey

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Suplicki said that the district had been monitored by the CT State Department of Education due to the amount of time students with disabilities are spending with their non-disabled peers. A draft of the plan that will be forwarded to State was provided in the Board packet. This needs to be into the State by the end of the month. Dr. Suplicki needs to write a letter stating that she is requesting \$10,000 for the professional development.

Woodstock Academy is the only school that responded to our request for dropout rates. The number is extremely low. One student in the last 5 years has dropped out. We have tried to get data from Technical schools but it very difficult.

Dr. Suplicki gave information pertaining to substitutes under "Substitute Teacher Authorization Fact Sheet #121" from the State Department of Education's website.

NEW BUSINESS

The district is doing well with the budget. The June bills will be paid for as we received them. We will pay all of the 2005/2006 bills and then it goes into the new year. The business office is working to close out the year's budget.

We had one bid on the maintenance proposal. After the walk through, it was thought that we would get three proposals but only one proposal was received. The Portland Group had submitted an alternate approach but had declined to bid on the outlined project for 2006-2008 in the RFP. The project was referred back to the Facilities Committee.

The Facilities Committee met on June 20, 2006, and brainstormed projects. One was a "Painting Party" which would take several days. Another would be a "Wood Chip" cleanup process. Dr. Suplicki noted that Chris and a facilities committee member would supervise.

DISTRIBUTIONS

None

RECOGNITIONS OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from visitors.

MOTION: To adjourn into executive session at 7:55 a.m.
By: Sally Peavey
Seconded: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Vote: All in favor

The Board came out of executive session at 9:10 pm.

Motion: To adjourn at 9:10 pm.
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Sally Peavey
Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board