

Sally Peavey called the Canterbury Board of Education to order at 7:02 p.m. on September 9, 2008 in the media center at Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School, 45 Westminster Road, Canterbury, Ct. 06331

IN ATTENDANCE: Heather DeLuca, Sally Peavey, Tom O'Rourke Ray Sulich Jr. Larry Simons, Kimberly Coombs and Janet Tyler, Superintendent.

Absent: Amy Labbe

ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Janet Tyler, Superintendent requested that numbers 3 and 4 under Superintendent of School's Report/Possible Action be reversed.

Motion: To reverse items 3 and 4 under the Superintendent of School's Report/Possible Action.
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Kim Coombs
Vote: All in favor

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from an audience of visitors.

ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – July 15, 2008 6:45 p.m.; July 15, 2008, 7:00 p.m.; August 12, 2008 6:00 p.m.; August 12, 2008 7:00 p.m.

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes at 6:45 p.m. on July 15, 2008.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor
Abstained: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes at 7:00 p.m. on July 15, 2008.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor
Abstained: Ray Sulich, Jr.

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes at 6:00 p.m. on August 12, 2008.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor
Abstained: Kim Coombs, Larry Simons

Motion: To change the 7:00 p.m. minutes of August 12, 2008 under Unfinished and Ongoing Business/Possible Action last paragraph to read: Heather, Tom, and Sally agreed to be on the negotiations committee for the administrator's contract.

By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor
Abstained: Larry Simons, Kim Coombs

Motion: To approve the meeting minutes at 7:00 p.m. on August 12, 2008.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor
Abstained: Kim Coombs, Larry Simons

2. Board of Education Committee/Meeting Reports

- a. Facilities Committee – Reported by Ray Sulich, Jr.
Asbestos has been abated. What remains is no threat. The boiler has a leak which will cost approximately \$4,000 to repair. Lockers will need to be sent out to bid.

Motion: To add to the agenda 4. Locker Discussion under Unfinished and Ongoing Business/Possible Action.
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Heather DeLuca
Vote: All in favor

- b. Policy Committee – Janet reported that policies 5000's and 6000's need to be reviewed by the Board. Because this is such a big report, it was suggested that it be kept in the Superintendent's office and board members could sign it out rather than making numerous copies. The Board agreed.
- c. EASTCONN – Tom O'Rourke noted the next meeting is on 9-23-08.
- d. CESPTO- Nothing to report.
- e. BMSPTO – Next meeting 9-17-08.
- f. Booster Club - Kim reported that this is a work-in-process. Many thanks to all who came to the meetings this summer.
- g. Communication/Outreach – Larry would like some help from some of the senior board members.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Start of School – Smooth.
2. Enrollment – Increased.
Connecticut Mastery Test Results – Last March's results were in and reported on by Principal Ferguson and Kathleen Boyhan-Maus
3. Professional Learning Communities (PLC) – Presented by Bryan Klimkiewicz
4. 2008 – 2009 Budget – The format was discussed. A possible new format was presented. The potential new format and the present format will be discussed and compared in detail during the November/December timeframe.

NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Community Crusade for Children's Kiducation Donation – Check received for \$49.50.

Motion: To accept the donation of \$49.50.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Larry Simons
Vote: All in favor

2. Board meeting dates – Janet proposed the Board entertain the thought of 1 meeting per month. The Board prefers 2 per month as not to lose sight with issues. This will be discussed for slower months.
3. Procedural Change: BOE Chairperson – A line to the policy would be added to have the BOE Chairperson post all agendas 24 hours in advance in the Town Hall.

UNFINISHED AND ONGOING BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. CABE/CAPPS Convention – Any Board member who is interested in attending must act quickly. The registration deadline is approaching.
2. Community Conversations Grant - We were awarded this grant. There is an informational dinner meeting in Hamden on Sept. 25, 2008 from 5pm to 8:30. Kim Coombs and Janet Tyler to attend.
3. Membership
 - a. Negotiations Committee – Heather, Tom and Sally
 - b. Health and Wellness Committee – To be resurrected this year. Heather to tentatively accept.
 - c. Safety Committee – Larry Simons
4. Locker Discussion

Motion: To put the locker replacement out to bid.
By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Heather DeLuca
Vote: All in favor

RECOGNITION OF AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: To adjourn into executive session at 9:30 p.m. for the purpose of the superintendent's contract.

By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Tom O'Rourke
Vote: All in favor

Motion: To come out of Executive Session at 9:49 p.m.

By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Vote: All in favor

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn at 9:50 p.m.

By: Ray Sulich, Jr.
Seconded: Larry Simons
Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted:

Heather DeLuca, Secretary to the Board