**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CANTERBURY, CONNECTICUT**

Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 Time: 7:05 p.m.

Place: Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School-Media Center

**A. Call of Quorum and Pledge of Allegiance**

In attendance from the Board of Education (BOE): Vivian Thumser, Chairperson; John Gentry, Vice-Chairperson; Nancy Duvall, Secretary; Walt Petruniw (VIA phone); Tom Dufort; Bridgett LaBrecque, Leticia Velasquez

Left Early: Bridgett LaBrecque at 8 pm; Leticia Velasquez at 8:55pm

Others Present: Dr. Lois DaSilva-Knapton, Superintendent; Sarah Cary, Principal CES; Ryan Earley, Principal BMS; Jeff Ferranti, Pupil Service Director

Vivian Thumser called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**B. Special Purpose/ Recognition**

Ms. Carey presented a short video about CES Students and how the PTO provides extra

supplies or services that the students or the principle needs for student projects and or

family day happenings.

**C. Comments from Visitors**

**Motion:** To add contract negotiation to the Executive Session and inviting Superintendent Knapton **and all present bus drivers**

**By:** Tom Dufort

**Second:** Bridgett LaBrecque

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

**Motion:** To enter into Executive Session at 7:21pm.

**By:** John Gentry

**Second:** Tom Dufort

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

**D. Executive Session**

**Exited executive session at 8:15 pm.**

**Motion:** To not pursue outsourcing the transportation contracts during the current contract period

**By:** Tom Dufort

**Second:** John Gentry

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

**Motion:** To direct the Superintendent to pursue legal opinion regarding the staffing roles to be presented to the BOE when received.

**By:** Tom Dufort

**Second:** Walt Petruniw

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

**E. Presentations & Actions:**

1. **Teachers Contract 2019-2022**

**Motion:** To ratify the teachers’ contract for 2019-2022

**By:** John Gentry

**Second:** Tom Dufort

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

1. **Policies – Second Read:**

a. Policy 3520.13 Student Data Protection & Privacy

b. Policy 511(a) Attendance-Excuses-Dismissals

c. Policy 5141 Student Health Services

d. Policy 5141.3 Health Assessments & Immunizations

e. Policy 3231 Medical Reimbursement for Special Educations Students

**f. Policy 5144.1 Physical Restraint/Seclusion**

g. Policy 5144.2 Use of Exclusionary Time-out Settings

h. Policy 6171.3 Placement of Special Education Students (Out-of-district)

**Motion:** To accept policies a thru h above, with exception of f; with the

Corrected and revisited at March Meeting

**By:** Leticia Velasquez

**Second:** John Gentry

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

1. **Policies – First Read:**
2. Policy 5141.21 Administering Medication

**Motion:** To accept Policy 5141.21 as first read

**By:** Walt Petruniw

**Second:** Tom Dufort

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

1. **Resignation/Retirement Letter**
2. Evelyn Dugas – Library Coordinator – will be resigning after 40 years of service to our school district. The BOE should send her a Thank you Letter as well

**Motion:** To acceptthe resignation from Evelyn Dugas

**By:** John Gentry

**Second:** Tom Dufort

**All in favor**

**Motion passes**

**F. Committee Reports / Correspondence to the Board**

1. Para-Educator Negotiations update: March 19th is next meeting
2. Copy of 2018/2019 Budget: 79% of budget has been expended thus far but there

is a potential for overages to be dealt with at a later date

1. Facility Committee:

* Oil Tank Project – Engineers moving forward with comprising an RFP for committee review prior to be sent out
* BMS Roof Project - changes and additions to be noted on documents to sync all documents according

1. Policy Committee: other than the policies listed on this Agenda, all policies are up

to date

1. EASTCONN: lots of doings with EASTCONN
2. Finance Sub Committee: Next meeting March 12, 2019 at 6 pm.
3. Curriculum/Pupil Services Committee: Next Meeting tentatively for March 26th at 4pm
4. Superintendents’ Report:
   * 1. Enrollment: Total 754, -2 from last month
     2. Administrators Report:

BMS: 180 students strong, end of trimester 2 – report cards to go out

soon; afterschool program started again which is grant subsidized.

CES: end of trimester 2 – report cards to go out soon

Spec Ed: provides services to both CES and BMS as well as High Schools

and beyond. Parent Advisory Council has been constructed; the

next meeting is March 14th

* + 1. Superintendents Annual Self Evaluation Submission: Handout provided

as well as detailed summary will be viewed by BOE members

* + 1. Additional Comments - none

G.      **Consent Agenda**

1. Regular Meeting minutes – January 15,2019
2. Community Open Forum Meeting minutes – January 30, 2019
3. Budget/Workshop Meting minutes – February 5, 2019
4. BOE Finance Sub-Committee minutes – February 6, 2019

**Motion:** To accept the minutes above as presented (G 1 thru 4**)**

**By:** John Gentry

**Second:** Tom Dufort

**Abstentions:** Walt P – for 2, 3 & 4

**Motion passes**

H.     **Comments from Visitors**

Bob Droesch asked when the joint BOE / BOF meeting will be held – April 9or 10th

Bob Droesch asked if or when the tree at BMS would be removed… it has been already.

**Resident asked:** about the cuts and when they would take place**.**

**Response:** superintendent proposes budget and BOE makes cuts or approved the

proposed budget which then goes to BOF for approval then to town Vote.

I. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. By: John Gentry 2nd: Tom Durfort

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Duvall BOE Secretary