

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Elaine Whitney	Chair
Jeannie Smith	Vice Chair
Michael Gordon	Secretary
Mark Mathias	
Brett Aronow	
Karen Kleine	
Paul Block	

Administrators Present:

Elliott Landon	Superintendent of Schools
Elio Longo	Director of School Business Operations
Lis Comm	Dir. of Secondary Ed. & Research
Cynthia Gilchrest	Dir. of Elementary Ed.
Marge Cion	Director of Human Resources
Michael Rizzo	Director of Pupil Services

EXECUTIVE SESSION/CALL TO ORDER: Staples High School, Room 1028 Conference Room

Performance Review of the Superintendent of Schools and Strategies for Negotiations

At 5:38 p.m. Paul Block motioned to go into Executive Session seconded by Jeannie Smith. Elliott Landon, Elio Longo and Marge Cion attended a portion of the meeting at the invitation of the board. All Board members were in attendance. Executive Session adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:43 p.m. in the Staples High School cafeteria.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

Paul Block made a motion to include productivity and efficiency as a discussion/action item to the agenda after the goals discussion. Seconded by Michael Gordon. Passed unanimously, 7-0.

MINUTES: May 27 and June 2, 2014 approved.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

INFORMATION/REPORTS:

Standards-Based Grading	Ms. Comm
Implementation of 5 Day, Full Day Kindergarten	Ms. Gilchrest

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Public Comments Guidelines	Ms. Whitney Mr. Smith
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Board of Education Goals/Objectives/Action Plans	Dr. Landon
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Creation of a subgroup to organize suggested goals into subgroups to present to the Board next week. Paul Block, Karen Kleine and Brett Aronow will be on this subcommittee.

MOTION: Michael Gordon
SECOND: Elaine Whitney
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 7-0

Mark Mathias left the meeting at this point.

Motion to continue with agenda to discuss the Maintainer's Contract as it was after 10:30 p.m. Moved by Brett Aronow, seconded by Karen Kleine, passed unanimously 6-0 as Mark Mathias was absent for vote.

Approval of Maintainers Contract

Ms. Cion

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the collective bargaining agreement between the Westport School Maintenance Employees Union Local 1303-225 of Connecticut Council #4 of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, for the period July 1, 2013 through June 2016.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 6-0; Mark Mathias was absent for vote

Motion to continue with three final items as it was after 10:30 p.m. Moved by Brett Aronow, Seconded by Jeannie Smith Passed unanimously 6-0, Mark Mathias was absent for vote.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Tuition Rates: 2014-15 School Year

Dr. Landon

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the establishment of the tuition rates for the 2014-2015 school year, as set forth in a memo dated June 9, 2014 and appended to the Minutes of that Meeting.

MOTION: Michael Gordon
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 6-0; Mark Mathias was absent for vote.

Authorization to Sign Contracts

Dr. Landon

The Board of Education authorizes Elliott Landon, Superintendent of Schools, and Elio Longo, Director of School Business Operations, to sign contracts on behalf of the Board of Education, effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

MOTION: Brett Aronow
SECOND: Karen Kleine
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 6-0; Mark Mathias was absent for vote.

Non-Union Personnel Compensation – deferred to future meeting

Dr. Landon
Ms. Cion

Acceptance of Gifts

Dr. Landon

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of education accepts with thanks and appreciation gifts from the Bedford Middle School PTA (\$7,000), the Green's Farms School PTA (\$18,600), the Long Lots School PTA (\$3,100), and Charwells (\$2,000), said gifts to be used to enhance the learning environment for students in accordance with the details of a memo to the Board of Education from Elliott Landon pertaining to these gifts and dated June 9, 2014.

MOTION: Michael Gordon

SECOND: Jeannie Smith

RESULT: Unanimous

VOTE: 6-0; Mark Mathias was absent for vote.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Gordon, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)