

**Coventry Board of Education
Coventry, Connecticut**

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Approved Minutes of Thursday, June 11, 2015
Administration Building Conference Room

Attendance Taken at 7:30 p.m.:

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Beausoleil, Chairman
Mary Kortmann, Vice Chairman
Mary Minor, Secretary (arrived at 8:37 p.m.)
William Oros
Denise Ryan
Michael Sobol

Board Members Absent:

Eugene Marchand

I. Call to Order

J. Beausoleil called the meeting to order 7:33 p.m.

II. Salute to the Flag

J. Beausoleil led the salute to the flag.

III. Audience of Citizens

There were none.

IV. Report of the Superintendent

Mr. Petrone reviewed items and events happening around the district. Mr. Petrone also touched on this year's assessments and parents who have excused their students from the test. He explained how this hurts the students because no data is collected.

IV.A. Information and Recognition: Student Board of Education Representative Report - Allan Andrews

While Allan was unable to attend tonight, Mr. Petrone thanked him for his service and said he would be sure to give the Board's gift to Allan.

IV.B. Recognition: Shannon Entwistle, CHS English Teacher and Victoria Fox, CNH Reading/LA Teacher - Completion of the CAS Leadership Academy 2014-15

Mr. Petrone talked about building capacity in the district and also the program these teachers were involved in. Mr. Blake said how Ms. Entwistle is an example of true leadership in the school. Ms. DeJulius talked about Ms. Fox and her leadership at the middle school. She said she is a wealth of knowledge. Both teachers said it was a great opportunity and were appreciative they were able to participate. Mr. Petrone presented both teachers with a gift of thanks from the Board of Education.

IV.C. Information: 2014-2015 Administrators' Goal Achievement Updates

IV.C.1. Facilities - Mr. Stanavage

Mr. Stanavage reviewed his goal achievement for the 2014-15 school year. That document will be available on the district website.

M. Kortmann asked about the equipment list. Mr. Stanavage spoke to that. Mr. Petrone noted this is a rough draft of a list, and should be looked at as a starting point.

J. Beausoleil said what a challenging first year Mr. Stanavage has had. She said what a great job he has done handling those challenges. Mr. Petrone agreed saying his work ethic is outstanding.

IV.C.2. Business Office - Mr. Carroll

Mr. Carroll presented his goal achievement report of the 2014-15 school year. That document is available on the website.

M. Kortmann asked about the State Chart of Accounts issue. Mr. Carroll said it sounds like it is moving forward and Coventry has already had to submit some information.

IV.C.3. Coventry Grammar School - Ms. Moyer

Ms. Moyer reviewed the goal achievements for the Coventry Grammar School for the 2014-15. That document is available on the district's website.

(M. Minor arrived 8:37 p.m.)

The Board discussed the parent climate survey questions and the very high approval rate. Ms. Moyer said there is a very high involvement rate.

M. Minor talked about visiting the school and how focused they are on writing. She noted how impressed she is with this.

IV.C.4. Capt. Nathan Hale School - Ms. DeJulius

Ms. DeJulius presented the CNH Goal Achievement information for the 2014-15 school year. That document is attached to the district's website.

M. Kortmann asked about the math data for grade 8 and if the algebra classes participated. Ms. DeJulius said yes.

V. VOTE: Consent Agenda

V.A. Accept the Retirement of Gail Sroka, Grade 3 Teacher

V.B. Approve the Annual GRIDIRON Sponsorship Advertising Proposal

MOTION: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented

By: W. Oros

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes unanimously

VI. Report of Chairman

J. Beausoleil said this is an exciting time of year for the schools. She continued that there are many program showcases and celebrations happening. She noted the preschool groundbreaking and the scholarship awards night. She also talked about the FPS students and how they are in Iowa competing now. She noted that graduation is June 20. She welcomed Christine Murphy as the new PSSS Director.

VII. VOTE: Approval of Minutes - May 28, 2015

MOTION: To approve the minutes of May 28, 2015

By: W. Oros

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes 5-0-1 (M. Minor abstains)

VIII. New Business

VIII.A. Structural Update - Mr. Stanavage

Mr. Stanavage reviewed the latest information from DiBlasi and Associates. Mr. Petrone stated the original report was done by Silva and Associates and it is now being verified by DiBlasi. Mr. Petrone clarified that

DiBlasi has stated the buildings are safe. He also said while we have received much good news, there is more work to be done.

IX. Report of Board Members

IX.A. Information: Fiscal Committee Report: Meeting of June 11, 2015 - M. Kortmann and Mr. Carroll

Mr. Carroll noted the Committee met earlier in the night. He said there are no bad indicators for the end of the year. He reviewed other items that would be addressed as well. He said the Committee voted to move transfers forward to the full Board for approval.

IX.A.2. VOTE: Approve Budget Transfer

MOTION: Approve the Budget Transfer of \$30,000 from account 200 Employee Benefits to account 600 Supplies

By: W. Oros

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes unanimously

Mr. Carroll went on to review the information discovered regarding the Medicaid funds and how permission is not needed from the town.

Mr. Petrone said the final adoption of next year's budget will happen at the next meeting.

X. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m.

By: M. Sobol

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Arey Delorme
Board Clerk

Approved: June 25, 2015