

Minutes of Meeting

Board of Education Liaison Committee

June 1, 2016

The Board of Education Liaison Committee conducted the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday June 1, 2016 in the Board Room of the Board of Education Administration Building, 1000 East Broadway, Stratford, CT pursuant to notice duly posted.

1. Call to Order: 6:32 p.m. by chairman Beth Daponte

Committee Members in Attendance: Council members Beth Daponte, Tina Manus, Alan Llewelyn, Mark Dumas; Board of Education Member Len Petruccelli

Others in Attendance: COO Clarence Zachery, Superintendent of School District Dr. Janet Robinson, Board of Education member Susan Lance

Document Distributed during meeting — Itemized Estimate of Expenditures summary – 2016/2017 – submitted by Mr. Zachery

2. Approval of minutes – Minutes of regularly scheduled meeting of April 6, 2016. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. LLEWELYN, SECONDED BY MR. PETRUCCELLI TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

WAIVER OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PETRUCCELLI SECONDED BY MR. LLEWELYN TO WAIVE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE TO TAKE THE ITEM 4, OUT OF ORDER. THE MOTION PASSED WITH MR. DUMAS VOTING “NO”.

4. Collaborating with DPW — The open Work order document that has been previously distributed during Building Needs Committee meetings was referenced. Many of the work orders have remained open for more than a year. Discussion went on re: who has responsibility for repair/maintenance of school facilities, employing additional skilled tradesmen, union grievances directed to school custodians, union negotiations, job descriptions, Human Resource department support and assistance. A meeting will be arranged to address the matter with Messrs. Petruccelli, Ruggiero, Ing, and the union representative.

3. Budget — Mr. Petruccelli said the budget reflecting the new deductions was passed during the meeting just prior to this meeting and will be referred to the full Board. Inquiries were directed to Mr. Zachery and Dr. Robinson re: certified staff-world languages, textbooks and supplies, MYON (e-books), decrease of salaries, coordinators, classroom coherence, fringe benefits, student transportation, special Ed and pupil services, special Ed certified staff.

WAIVER OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PETRUCCELLI SECONDED BY MS. MANUS TO WAIVE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE TO ADD THE ITEM "CENTER SCHOOL" TO THE AGENDA. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Center School — The school, currently considered an Education Facility, initially accommodated 300 students. The building is empty. The last of the programs have been transferred; AIP program to Honeyspot and STRIDE to Birdseye Complex per Mr. Zachery and Dr. Robinson. Discussed: future use of the building, authority to direct transferring of the two programs (AIP and STRIDE), population growth, use of building for Sterling House activities, the building's operating expenses. Ms. Manus mentioned the need for the detailed information from a strategic school profile.

5. Adjournment — Hearing no other business to discuss, Mr. Llewelyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Petrucelli and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Cabral, Secretary