

APPROVED 03/13/12

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance: Louis Pecoraro, Walt Petruniw, Carl Thurlow, Heather DeLuca, John Ellston, Pam Kerouack-Warner

Stephen Brown arrived at 7:10pm.

Others Present: Richard Paskiewicz, Superintendent, Janice Thurlow, Finance Director, Catherine Ferguson, CES Principal, Brian Tedeschi, DHBMS Principal

Louis Pecoraro called the Canterbury Board of Education meeting to order at 7:05pm.

C. ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

Add: H. Old Business/Possible Action
1. Roof Committee Report Discussion of Possible Action

Move: Other items down

Motion: To accept the changes to the agenda.

By: Walt Petruniw

Seconded: Pam Kerouack-Warner

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

D. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

None.

E. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOE MEMBERS

Louis Pecoraro received a communication which will be discussed in Executive Session.

F. BOE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities

Louis Pecoraro stated that a Facilities Committee meeting was held to discuss CIP. The next Town CIP meeting is scheduled for March 7.

Policy

Louis Pecoraro reported that two Policy Committee meetings were held to discuss Policy 5131.81-Electronic Devices. Discussion will continue in item J.3 of the agenda.

G. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – January 24, 2012 Business Meeting
February 7, 2012 Special Meeting
February 14, 2012 Special Meeting
February 22, 2012 Special Meeting

The business and special meeting minutes listed above were approved as printed.

H. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Administrators' Reports

The Board asked questions regarding school procedures.

2. Enrollment

The Superintendent asked the Board to hold enrollment discussion until the next business meeting.

3. 2011 – 2012 Budget

Janice Thurlow provided an update on the 2011-12 budget.

I. OLD BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Roof Committee Report Discussion of Possible Action

Lee Wrigley, Building Committee Representative, provided an update on the CES roof project. The goal is to complete the project prior to the start of school. He asked that the Board approve and sign the state forms.

Motion: To approve the project as requested by the Building Committee and established by the Town of Canterbury for the roof replacement at Canterbury Elementary School.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Heather DeLuca

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

J. NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Proposed School Calendar 2012-2013

The Superintendent distributed an updated 2012-2013 school calendar and proposed the delay of the first day of school to allow more time for the completion of the CES roof project. The April break aligns with neighboring districts.

Motion: To approve the draft calendar.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

2. Possible Adoption of Recommended Budget for 2012-2013

As requested by the Board, the Superintendent provided information showing breakdown of cost to run sports programs on a yearly basis. Discussion included pay-to-play costs. The Board asked that a Booster Club representative be invited to provide the Board with a better understanding of the sports programs. The Board also asked that an Ad-hoc Committee be created to further investigate the possibility of providing support to the Booster Club.

Motion: To add \$17,000 to the budget to cover the cost of sports programs for 2012-2013.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Motion: To withdraw the previous motion.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: To create an Ad-hoc Committee to further investigate the possibility of providing support to the Booster Club. Pam Kerouack-Warner and Stephen Brown volunteered to be on the Ad-hoc Committee, along with Heather DeLuca who is presently a liaison on the Booster Club Committee.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

3. Possible First Read of Policy 5131.81: Electronic Devices

Louis Pecoraro discussed the proposed changes to Policy 5131.81 – Students: Electronic Devices. The colon “:” will be removed from paragraph three following the work “unless.”

Motion: To accept Policy 5131.81 – Students: Electronic Devices as First Read.

By: Walt Petruniw

Seconded: John Ellston

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

K. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from visitors.

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel

Motion: To adjourn into Executive Session at 8:04pm for the purpose of personnel matter.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: John Ellston

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Came out of Executive Session at 8:38pm.

Motion: To add M. Possible Action on Extension of Superintendent Contract for 2012-2013 and N. Possible Creation of Negotiating Committee for Memorandum of Agreement with the Canterbury Education Association. Move Adjournment to O.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Walt Petruniw

Vote: Motion passed unanimously

M. POSSIBLE ACTION ON EXTENSION OF SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT FOR 2012-2013

Motion: To approve the extension of the superintendent contract for the 2012-2013 school year and to change the title from Interim Superintendent to Superintendent.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Heather DeLuca

Vote: YES: Pam Kerouack-Warner, John Ellston, Walt Petruniw, Stephen Brown,
Heather DeLuca, Louis Pecoraro
NO: Carl Thurlow

N. POSSIBLE CREATION OF NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CANTERBURY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

The Board agreed to create an Ad-hoc Negotiating Committee to address an ongoing issue and possible Memorandum of Agreement. John Ellston and Carl Thurlow will be participating on the committee.

Motion: To have the Board members who are part of the teacher negotiations committee be part of the Ad-hoc Committee.

By: John Ellston

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Motion : To amend the motion to add Heather DeLuca to the committee.

By: Walt Petruniw

Seconded: Louis Pecoraro

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:52pm by Heather DeLuca.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl Thurlow, Secretary to the Board