

APPROVED 03/27/12

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

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

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

None.

D. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

None.

E. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOE MEMBERS

None.

F. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

To celebrate Board Member Appreciation month and to recognize members for dedicating time to
serve as a BOE member, CES and BMS students presented Board members with a token of
appreciation.

The Board took a short recess.

G. BOE COMMITTEE REPORTS

CIP

Louis Pecoraro stated that the CIP budget was finalized and sent to the BOS and BOF.

EASTCONN

Walt Petruniw attended a meeting with Paula Colen, in which he received an overview of the services
they provide. The next executive board meeting will be held on March 27 and the next public meeting
is scheduled for May 22.

Booster Club

Heather DeLuca stated that she and Pam Kerouack-Warner recently attended a meeting.

As previously requested by the Board, Jerry Renaud, President of the BMS Booster Club, gave
background information regarding the Booster Club, which included the role of the Canterbury
Athletic Association and coaching costs, and BMS sports expenses.

H. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – February 28, 2012 Business Meeting

The business meeting minutes listed above were approved as printed.

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Administrators' Reports

The Board asked questions regarding the administrators' reports.

2. Enrollment

The superintendent shared and discussed the enrollment numbers which included the upcoming school year.

3. 2011 – 2012 Budget

Janice Thurlow provided an update on the 2011-12 budget and answered Board questions. The cafeteria audit was took place on March 13th. Some items have been listed that need correcting. The cafeteria staff did a wonderful job preparing for the audit.

4. S.B.24, Section 11 and the Possible Impact on Canterbury

The Superintendent shared a copy of Senate Bill 24, Section 11 and discussed the possible impact on Canterbury students/district, which included reduction of funding.

J. NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Bus Bid/Purchase

The Superintendent asked the Board for permission to go out for bid on one full-size school bus and one small van.

Motion: To authorize the Superintendent to go out to bid for a full-size bus and a small van.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

K. OLD BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Possible Adoption of Recommended Budget for 2012-2013

Discussion included considering covering some expenses to help alleviate the expenses covered by the Booster Club, such as transportation and uniforms and possible high school enrollment changes for incoming 9th graders.

Motion: To consider putting some support for interscholastic sports.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Motion: To rescind the motion to consider putting some support for the interscholastic sports and make a motion to put funding in the budget for the support of interscholastic sports in the amount of \$17,000.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Motion: To rescind the motion to put in the \$17,000 to support interscholastic sports and make the motion that we approve the amount of \$8,500 to support interscholastic sports under a line item called Co-Curricular, to primarily defer the cost of transportation and uniforms.

By: Heather DeLuca

Seconded: Walt Petruniw

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: To approve the 2012-budget as presented in the amount of \$11,091,328.
By: John Ellston
Seconded: Walt Petruniw
Vote: YES: Heather DeLuca, Stephen Brown, Carl Thurlow, Walt Petruniw, John Ellston,
Pam Kerouack-Warner, Louis Pecoraro
NO: None

2. Policy 5131.81: Electronic Devices, Second Read

Motion: To approve Policy 5131.81 – Students: Electronic Devices.
By: Walt Petruniw
Seconded: Heather DeLuca
Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

L. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

The Board heard comments from visitors.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel

Motion: To adjourn into Executive Session at 8:50pm for the purpose of personnel discussion and invite representatives from Canterbury Education Association to join.
By: Heather DeLuca
Seconded: John Ellston
Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Came out of Executive Session at 9:24pm.

Motion: To permit the creation of a one-time sick bank for the benefit of the teacher identified by the CEA on March 13, 2012 for the 2011-2012 school year and to permit teachers to donate accumulated sick time to said sick bank. Any such days donated and not needed by said teacher shall expire at the end of the 2011-2012 school year. The establishment of this sick bank will not be considered a precedent-setting action.
By: John Ellston
Seconded: Stephen Brown
Vote: YES: Heather DeLuca, Stephen Brown, Carl Thurlow, Walt Petruniw, John Ellston,
Pam Kerouack-Warner, Louis Pecoraro
NO: None

N. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:26pm by Stephen Brown.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl Thurlow, Secretary to the Board