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**A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**B. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER**

In Attendance: Louis Pecoraro, Carl Thurlow, Stephen Brown, Walter Petruniw, John Ellston  
Heather DeLuca

Absent: Pam Kerouack-Warner

Others Present: Dr. Lois Knapton, Superintendent, Catherine Ferguson, Principal CES, Brian  
Tedeschi, Principal DHBMS, Jodi Davis, Special Education Director

Louis Pecoraro called the Canterbury Board of Education meeting to order at 7:18 pm.

**C. ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS**

Motion: To add two additional Items under H. Superintendent of School's Report/Possible action:  
3. Transportation  
4. Smarter Balance Field Test

By: Walt Petruniw

Seconded: Stephen Brown

Vote: J. Ellston / W. Petruniw / S. Brown / C. Thurlow / H. Deluca / L. Pecoraro  
Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

Motion passes.

**D. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

None.

**E. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOE MEMBERS**

None

**F. BOE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Communication Committee**

Mr. Pecoraro stated a Communications Committee meeting was held last week and they discussed a number of items:

- Budget
- Proposal to install Solar Panels at CES
- Working on 95% on the budget from last year
- Town Meeting is scheduled for November 7th
- Referendum is scheduled for November 12th

Mr. Pecoraro stated that they will be having the Communication Meetings monthly.

### **EastConn**

Walt Petruniw stated he attended EastConn's Board of Director Executive Meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2013. Discussion included the Head Start Program and Family Goal Settings.

### **G. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEM**

1. Approval of Minutes – October 8, 2013

The business meeting minutes listed above were approved as printed.

### **H. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL'S REPORT/POSSIBLE ACTION**

**1. District Consolidation Grant Application** -Dr. Knapton stated that the District Consolidation Application Title 1 and Title 2 Grant have been submitted. Title 1 Grant is in the amount of \$53,302 and the Title 2 Grant is in the amount of \$16,245.

**2. High School Choice-Parish Hill** -Dr. Knapton and the Board discussed the request to consider adding Parish Hill as a high school choice.

**3. Transportation**- The Superintendent stated that the new school bus arrived yesterday. She also stated that we are struggling finding substitute bus drivers. The Superintendent recommended a committee on transportation be convened to look and the strength and weakness of our current transportation set-up. The board discussed transportation

**4. Smarter Balance Field Test**-Dr. Knapton stated that she met with our District Teacher Evaluation and Team Committee and the district decided to go with the Smarter Balance Field Test this year and the students will not take the CMT test.. The test will be given anytime from February through June. The District will be given a time frame to take the test in. The Superintendent stated that Grade 5 and 8 are required to take the CMT Science Test.

### **I. NEW BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. 2014 BOE Calendar

The Board discussed the 2014 BOE calendar.

Motion: To give First Reading status to the Canterbury BOE 2014 Business Meetings.

By: Heather DeLuca

Second: Stephen Brown

Vote: J. Ellston/ W. Petruniw / S. Brown / C. Thurlow / H. DeLuca/ L. Pecoraro

Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

Motion passes.

2. Revised Canterbury Educator Evaluation & Support Plan

The Superintendent and the Board discussed the changes to the Canterbury Educator Evaluation & Support Plan.

Motion: Pending approval by USDOE of the Connecticut State Department's waiver request, Canterbury will administer the Smarter Balance Field Test assessment to its students and not use the results as part of its Teacher Evaluation and Support program during the 2013-2014 school year, with the correction stated today.

By: Walt Petruniw

Second: Heather DeLuca

Vote: J. Ellston/ W. Petruniw / S. Brown / C. Thurlow / H. DeLuca/ L. Pecoraro

Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

Motion passes.

**J. OLD BUSINESS/POSSIBLE ACTION**

None

**K. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

None.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. by Heather DeLuca

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Thurlow, Secretary to the Board