

Approved 3-1-2016

A. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance: Walt Petruniw, Stephen Brown, Christopher Lippke Nancy Duvall,
Leticia Velasquez, Vivian Thumser, John Gentry,

Absent: John Gentry

Late: Walt Petruniw 7:08 pm

Others Present: Dr. Lois Knapton, Superintendent, Sarah Cary, Principal CES,
Ryan Earley, Principal BMS, Jodi Davis, Special Education Director,
Janice Thurlow, Finance Director

Stephen Brown called the Canterbury Board of Education meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

None

D. 2016-2017 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Dr. Knapton addressed a question from a BOE member asked via email, regarding the in house program for students (NECC). The Superintendent handed out material regarding the New England Center for Children (NECC) program.

Dr. Knapton stated we have 12 NECC students. Two teachers, 2 BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst) and 2 tutors, (one teacher, one BCBA and 1 tutor for each school).

Superintendent also discussed:

- Special Education
- High School Tuition
- Salaries
- Benefits
- Certified substitutes
- Increase in para hours
- Summer programming (Special Education)
- Para and busses for summer school programs

The Superintendent discussed paraeducators and the need to increase their hours. The Board and the Superintendent had a round table discussion regarding the increased hours and insurance benefits for paraeducators.

E. CIP DISCUSSION-ACTION ITEM

Mr. Petruniw discussed the CIP budget and if the budget could be reduced. The Board had a round table discussion regarding reducing the CIP budget. Mr. Petruniw requested data regarding Canterbury buses. The Board will present the current CIP budget to the BOF

F. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Mrs. O'Connor, teacher at BMS stated how important the para's are to the education of the students.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. By: Vivian Thumser
Seconded: Chris Lippke

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Duvall, Secretary to the Board