

Weston Public Schools
 Board of Education Meeting
 Weston Middle School Library Resource Center
 August 19, 2013

Attendance:

Philip Schaefer, Chairperson	Dr. Colleen Palmer, Superintendent
Ellen Uzenoff, Vice Chairperson	Dr. Kenneth Craw, Assistant Superintendent
Nina Daniel	Dr. Jo-Ann Keating, Director of Finance & Ops.
Denise Harvey	Lewis Brey, Director of Human Resources
Sara Spaulding	
Sonya Stack	<i>Absent:</i> Dana Levin, Secretary/Treasurer

III. RESUME PUBLIC SESSION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. RECOGNITION – No report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Vote postponed

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – No report

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resignation

Motion: Moved that the Weston Board of Education notes and records the resignation of Brenna Lindsay, 1.0 FTE Mathematics Teacher for Weston Middle School, effective August 12, 2013. Motion by Mrs. Stack, second by Mrs. Uzenoff, all in favor. (6-0)

2. Appointment of District Medical Advisor for 2013-14

Motion: Moved that the Weston Board of Education re-appoints Dr. Laura Marks as the District Medical Advisor for the period July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014 and establishes a \$5764 stipend representing an increase of two percent. Motion by Mrs. Uzenoff, second by Ms. Daniel, all in favor. (6-0)

3. Authorization of Superintendent to Sign Agreement for Child Nutrition Program

Dr. Keating explained that all public school districts participating in the National School Lunch Program must submit the Healthy Food Certification Statement (ED-099 Addendum) to the Connecticut State Department of Education each year.

Motion: Moved that the Weston Board of Education approves the following authorized signer of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Program: Colleen A. Palmer, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools, is authorized to sign the Agreement

and to sign claims for reimbursement. Motion by Ms. Daniel, second by Mrs. Spaulding.

*Motion to **amend** motion to read as follows by Ms. Harvey, second by Mrs. Uzenoff.*

Amended motion: Moved that the Weston Board of Education approves the following authorized signers of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Program: Colleen A. Palmer, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools, or her designee, are authorized to sign the Agreement and to sign claims for reimbursement. Motion by Ms. Harvey, second by Mrs. Uzenoff, all in favor. (6-0)

4. Overview of Educational Goals for 2013-14 and Impact of New Legislation Pertaining to Education

Dr. Palmer provided a highlight of district goals for the year and discussed the impact of new legislation, including academic innovation and measurement, blended learning, common core standards, smarter balanced assessment preparation, and teacher and administrator evaluation.

5. Update on Student Enrollment

Mr. Brey provided a report on updated enrollment for the district and current section sizes for the elementary and middle schools.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Weston Board of Education Policies and Regulations

Mr. Brey reviewed the following Weston Board of Education Policies and Regulations, for which no changes have been made since the First Reading:

- Policy 1250, Visitors to the Schools;
- Regulation 1250, Visitors to the Schools; and
- Policy 4148.1, Use of Physical Force.

Motion: Moved that the Weston Board of Education approves Policy 1250, Visitors to the Schools; Regulation 1250, Visitors to the Schools; and Policy 4148.1, Use of Physical Force. Motion by Mrs. Uzenoff, second by Mrs. Spaulding, all in favor. (6-0)

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Next Regular Board Meeting Monday, September 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

2. District Update

Dr. Palmer discussed details concerning the start of school – bus routes, schedule availability, forthcoming recommendations to parents regarding students bringing their own devices to school, and new staff.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Communications Committee – No report

2. Curriculum Committee – No report

3. Finance Committee

Denise Harvey reported on the recent August 15 meeting, including a 2012-13 fiscal year budget update, solar panel project, security upgrades, and the upcoming September 25 Tri-board meeting.

4. Facilities Committee

The following items from the last Committee meeting were discussed by Mrs. Stack: ongoing summer maintenance and renovations, completion of tennis court repairs, joint facilities study with Town, CL&P energy conservation program, high school window and door replacement study, cost avoidance report, senior center, repairs to baseball fields used by Weston Little League, and lights for the football field.

5. Policy Committee – No report

6. Negotiations Committee

Denise Harvey announced upcoming WAA contract negotiations.

7. CES – No report

8. CABE

Sara Spaulding reminded Board members to sign up for the fall CABE/CAPSS Conference.

9. Weston Education Foundation – No report

XI. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion: Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Uzenoff, second by Ms. Daniel, all in favor.
(6-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.*

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Markov, Board of Education Clerk.

Minutes reviewed/approved by Dr. Colleen Palmer, Superintendent.

Chairman

Secretary

Approved by the Board of Education: September 16, 2013