

**DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes 3-24-14**

**Monday, March 24, 2014 6:00 PM**

DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes 3-10-14, 4 Vision Boulevard, Somers, CT 06071

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**SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – March 24, 2014**

**Members Present:** D. Palmer, B. Devlin, R. Lees, Jr., S. Moynihan Bollinger, J. Formeister, A. Kirkpatrick, M. Marquardt, K. McLellan, M. Rockett

**Members Absent:**

**Administrators Present:** Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell, K. Pezza, D. Messina

**Staff Present:**

**Citizens Present:** B. Capuano, D. Stone

**Students Present:**

**Others:** N. Caruso (CABE)

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Chairman Palmer in the Mabelle B. Avery Middle School Board of Education meeting room.

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**\*AGENDA ITEM 12.1:**

Presentation by Nick Caruso from CABE (Moved to this section of the agenda.)

Mr. Nick Caruso gave a presentation to the Board on CABE information as well as roles and responsibilities of boards of education. The Board took a break from 8:08-8:15 p.m. for refreshments following Mr. Caruso's presentation.

**3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 10, 2014 – It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (A. Kirkpatrick) to approve the March 10, 2014 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

**4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

**5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

- Chairman Palmer referred an issue to Dr. Suffredini.
- Chairman Palmer received a notice from the Town Hall regarding the agenda for the BOF meeting on 3/25/14 at 7:00 p.m. The public hearing is scheduled on 4/21/14 at 7 p.m.

**6.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS**

**7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**7.1. Approval of Bills**

It was **MOVED** (B. Devlin), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve the 3/24/14 bills in the amount of \$260,735.23 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

## **8.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1. Approval of Job Request – Stephanie Jodice**

It was **MOVED** (A. Kirkpatrick), **SECONDED** (B. Devlin) to approve the request by Ms. Stephanie Jodice, SLP for grades K-2 at Somers Elementary School, to continue to work part-time for the 2014-2015 school year as recommended by the superintendent. **PASSED 9-0.**

### **8.2. Letter of Resignation – D. Brownell**

It was **MOVED** (M. Marquardt), **SECONDED** (K. McLellan) to accept the resignation of Daniel Brownell, Music Teacher at MBA/SHS, at the end of the 2013-2014 school year. **PASSED 9-0.**

## **9.0 OLD BUSINESS**

### **9.1. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 5145 – Section 504: Civil and Legal Rights and Responsibilities**

It was **MOVED** (R. Lees), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve DBS Code 5145 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

### **9.2. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 5145.52 – Harassment**

It was **MOVED** (R. Lees), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve DBS Code 5145.52 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

### **9.3. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 6146: Graduation Requirements/Standards of Proficiency**

No action taken at this time. DBS Code 6146 will be discussed at the next meeting on 4/7/14.

### **9.4. Second Warning/Adoption of DBS Code 6141.321 – Student Telecommunications Acceptable Use Policy**

It was **MOVED** (R. Lees), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to approve DBS Code 6141.321 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

## **10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Dr. Suffredini acknowledged Board of Education Appreciation Month by extending his gratitude to the BOE members and presenting them with a gift in recognition of their dedication and service.

## **11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

**11.1. Budget – No report.**

**11.2. Curriculum – No report.**

**11.3. Policy – A. Kirkpatrick received the latest packet from CAGE and will set a date for the committee to meet.**

**11.4. Salary & Negotiations – B. Devlin reported the negotiation meeting with the custodians will be held on 3/25/14.**

**11.5. Planning Committee – J. Formeister reported that the budget is set for 2014. A copy of the updated long range plan will be presented at the next meeting.**

**11.6. Other Committees – No report.**

**\*12.0 OTHER**

- **A. Kirkpatrick attended the CREC meeting with the following task force recommendations: two major vacations during the year, same starting dates, and five floating days which would be decided per Center. One five-day vacation may be in March or April. A. Kirkpatrick is requesting emails be sent to her regarding an opinion on a March versus April vacation. The task force may implement this new calendar for 2015-2016.**
- **Chairman Palmer suggested reserving tables for the Rotary Club's 50th Anniversary at Twin Hills Country Club on April 12, 2014.**

**12.1. Presentation by Nick Caruso from CABA**

**It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (R. Lees) to move item 12.1 up in the agenda. PASSED 9-0.**

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**It was MOVED (B. Devlin), SECONDED (S. Bollinger) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 8:40 p.m. PASSED 9-0.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary  
Shannin Burns, Recording Secretary**

**These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.**