

**DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, October 26, 2015 7:00 PM**  
DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes- 10-26-15, 4 Vision Boulevard, Somers, CT 06071

1. DRAFT BOE MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 26, 2015

## SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING – October 26, 2015

**Members Present:** B. Devlin, D. Palmer, R. Lees, Jr., S. Moynihan Bollinger(left 8:00), K. McLellan(arrived 7:04), M. Rockett(left 8:00), M. Marquardt, A. Kirkpatrick, J. Formeister

**Members Absent:**

**Administrators Present:** Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell (arrived 7:30), Dr. D. Messina, Dr. I. Zytka, C. Krevolin, J. Oliver, M. Mucci, R. Kapner, G. Cotzin, D. Carroll

**Staff Present:**

**Citizens Present:** B. Capuano, B. Schmidt, J. Robidoux, D. Shewokis, E. Hafford, R. Hafford J. Morton, M. Splain, C.G. Knorr Jr., C. Watt, P. Ellis, L. Forest

**Students Present:**

**Others:**

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Devlin in the Mabelle B. Avery Middle School Board of Education meeting room.

A moment of silence was held for Mr. Suzor.

#### 2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 14, 2015 – It was **MOVED** (S. Moynihan Bollinger), **SECONDED** (M. Marquardt) to approve the September 28, 2015 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

#### 4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

- D. Shewokis addressed the Board with a couple of inquiries. She raised questions about damages to the schools during the roof repairs, she also questioned the termination of the volunteer cross country position.
- J. Robidoux of 159 County Road addressed the Board regarding the bus stop on County Road expressing his feelings that the issue needs to stay on the docket until there is a resolution. He would like the board to keep working on a resolution.
- C. Watt addressed the board with concerns about the level of teaching experience in the high school science department.
- M. Splain addressed the board expressing concerns with the math program.
- B. Capuano commended the schools on the handling of the untimely death of Mr. Suzor.

#### 4.1. Science CMT, SBAC and CAPT, SAT Results

Principals Jennifer Oliver (SES) and Clay Krevolin (MBA) presented the 2015 Science CMT and SBAC results for grades 5 and 8. Gary Cotzin, Principal at Somers High School,

presented the Grade 10 Science CAPT and SAT results.

## **5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

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

## **7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

### **7.1. Approval of Bills**

It was **MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (S. Moynihan Bollinger)** to approve the 10/13/15 bills in the amount of \$316,329.21 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

### **7.2 Approval of Bills**

It was **MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (S. Moynihan Bollinger)** to approve the 10/26/15 bills in the amount of \$326,775.17 as presented. **PASSED 9-0.**

## **8.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1. First Warning of DBS Code 1120 - Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

### **8.2. First Warning of DBS Code 5114 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

### **8.3. First Warning of DBS Code 5141.28 - First Aid/Emergency Medical Care - Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for the attached policy and presented the new policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

### **8.4. First Warning of DBS Code 3171.1 - Non-Lapsing Education Fund**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for the attached policy and presented the new policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

### **8.5. First Warning of DBS Code 9270 - Conflict of Interest**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

### **8.6. First Warning of DBS Code 2120: Organization Table**

The 2015-16 organization table was presented to the board as per DBS Code 2120. The 2014-2015 table was also included for comparison purposes. Second warning will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.7. First Warning of DBS Code 1331.1 - Smoke Free Environment**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.8. First Warning of DBS Code 4112.2 - Certification**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.9. First Warning of DBS Code 4131 - Staff Development/In-service Training (Appendix)**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy/appendix revisions and presented the revised policy appendix for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.10. First Warning of DBS Code 4131 - Staff Development**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.11. First Warning of DBS Code 5113 - Attendance and Excuses**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.12. First Warning of DBS Code 5131.6 - Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.13. First Warning of DBS Code 5141.3 - Health Examination and Immunizations**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**8.14. First Warning of DBS Code 5141.21 - Administering Medication**

The Policy Committee has reviewed recommendations by CABE for policy revisions and presented the revised policy for first warning to the board. Second warning/adoption will be included on the 11/9/15 agenda.

**9.0 OLD BUSINESS****10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS****10.1. High School Exit Survey Results**

Mr. Cotzin, Principal at Somers High School was available to answer questions.

**10.2. Long Range Plan Requests**

The Superintendent and Director of Business Services provided an update on the Long Range Planning process.

**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 – Next Meeting 11/9/15 at 6:30**

**11.4. Salary & Negotiations – No report.**

**11.5. Planning – No Report**

**11.6. Other Committees – None.**

**12.0 OTHER**

**A. Kirkpatrick commented about Mr. Suzor and the dedication and love of teaching he had. She stated that she had worked with him in another district. She also asked the board to revisit the transportation issue on County Road. She also asked that the board of selectmen are contacted to get resolution.**

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**It was MOVED (M. Marquardt), SECONDED (D. Palmer) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 8:25 p.m. PASSED 7-0.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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

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