

DRAFT Minutes of Board of Education Meeting 9/25/2017

Monday, September 25, 2017 7:00 PM

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SOMERS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING – SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

Members Present: B. Devlin, R. Lees, Jr., J. Anderson, A. Kirkpatrick, M.

Marquardt, K. McLellan, B. Capuano

Members Absent: D. Palmer, S. Moynihan Bollinger

Administrators Present: B. Czapla

Staff Present:

Citizens Present: J. Martin

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.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Draft Minutes of Board Meeting of 9/11/17

September 11, 2017 – It was **MOVED** (B. Capuano), **SECONDED** (A. Kirkpatrick) to approve the September 11, 2017 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**

4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA

7.1. Approval of Bills – Warrant of Bills 9/25/17

It was **MOVED** (A. Kirkpatrick), **SECONDED** (M. Marquardt) to approve the 9/25/17 bills in the amount of \$110,966.52 as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**

8.0. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. 2018 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Superintendent Czapla presented the 2018 BOE meeting schedule for Board members to review. The BOE will make a motion to approve the 2018 schedule at the next Board meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

9.0. OLD BUSINESS

- 9.1. Second Warning DBS Policy 6172 – Alt. Education**
It was **MOVED (B. Capuano), SECONDED (J. Anderson)** to approve DBS Policy 6172 – Alt. Education as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**
- 9.2. Second Warning DBS Policy 4131 – Staff Development**
It was **MOVED (A. Kirkpatrick), SECONDED (K. McLellan)** to approve DBS Policy 4131 – Staff Development as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**
- 9.3. Second Warning DBS Policy 5121 – Grading**
It was **MOVED (J. Anderson), SECONDED (K. McLellan)** to approve DBS Policy 5121 – Grading as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**
- 9.4. Second Warning DBS Policy 7230 – Air Quality Revised**
It was **MOVED (B. Capuano), SECONDED (K. McLellan)** to approve DBS Policy 7230 – Air Quality revised as presented. **PASSED 7-0.**

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.1. Health Service Report 2016-17

Superintendent Czapla presented the 2016-2017 Health Services Report for the Somers Public Schools. The report indicates that there were approximately 12,000 student visits and 100 staff visits for illness/injury at all three schools during the 2016-17 year. Majority of the data was obtained from SES and MBA. SHS statistics were not completely accurate primarily because of lack of appropriate health-reporting software. PowerSchool is not a proper tool to track student health issues. Superintendent Czapla emphasized that the nurses actively participate in a variety of tasks including but not limited to:

- treating students/staff
- counseling
- participating in PPT's and 504's
- providing health screenings for vision, hearing, and scoliosis
- processing sports physicals and permission forms
- training staff in the use of rescue medications (EpiPen), basic first aid, bloodborne pathogens, AED's, Heimlich maneuver, and diabetes education
- monitoring nutrition
- coordinating medical care with field trips
- completing State surveys

Health Service goals include establishing a breakfast program when the budget allows; research alternative lunch selections to include more healthful and health conscious choices for students and staff; and, implementing an age-appropriate, one-time educational program at SES to include proper hand washing technique and hygiene to begin next school year.

10.2. Superintendent Update

Superintendent Czapla discussed the worst-case scenario with the BOE regarding the State budget and how it could affect SPS and the town. Spending and hiring freezes are already in place. Contracts continue to be monitored and renegotiated. Students will see reduced clubs and activities, no

field trips; professional development has been affected; and, the larger maintenance issues are on hold. Superintendent Czapla was meeting with the BOF after the Board meeting to discuss the scenario. A special Board meeting may be reserved for 10/2/17.

Superintendent Czapla left the BOE meeting at 7:20 p.m. to attend the BOF meeting.

11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

11.1. Budget – As mentioned above under agenda item 10.2.

11.2. Curriculum – No report.

11.3. Policy – A. Kirkpatrick reported that the committee met prior to the evening's Board meeting. Four policies will be warned for the next Board meeting with another four policies after that. The next meeting will be held on 10/23/17 at 6 p.m.

11.4. Salary & Negotiations – Chairman Devlin reported that nurses' negotiations are close to ending. The administrators' negotiations will begin early October.

11.5. Planning – No report.

11.6. Other Committees – None.

12.0 OTHER

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was **MOVED** (M. Marquardt), **SECONDED** (K. McLellan) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 7:22 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.