

**REGULAR MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
MAY 16, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, May 16, 2011, at the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes.

PRESENT Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes, Secretary Jeffrey Currey, Marcus Oladell, IV, Anita Morrison, Julie Kieras, Tyron Harris, Christopher Gentile, Dorese Roberts, Bryan Hall

ALSO PRESENT Dr. Mark Zito, Superintendent of Schools
Christopher Wethje, Director of Human Resources
Paul Mainuli, Director of Finance
Kim Tran, Student Representative

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Anita Morrison
To place on this evening's agenda under Informational Reports
Items c: Chuck Nystrom, RAGE and Item d: uniforms
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Anita Morrison
To place on this evening's agenda Consent Calendar
under Old and Unfinished Business, items a-d
under New Business, items e-g
Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Jeffrey Currey
Seconded by Bryan Hall
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Meeting of May 2, 2011
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey
To approve the following Minutes:
Regular Meeting of May 2, 2011
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Anita Morrison
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Meeting of May 3, 2011
Motion unanimously carried.

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MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Bryan Hall (5:40 P.M.)
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Meeting of May 11, 2011
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Anita Morrison
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Meeting of May 11, 2011 (6:40 P.M.)
Motion unanimously carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

- Bryan Hall noted Barbara Rosenthal, Internship Program, is offering for a student to be selected to work for a law firm – May 20th is the deadline for applying for this venture. Please contact the Guidance Department for further details;
- Please be sure to register your child prior to August 11th to begin school on August 30th. Registration is at Central Registration, 1110 Main Street; hours are 8-4 P.M.;
- School uniforms can be purchased at EHHS, Room 122, beginning May 18th, Wednesday through Friday 8-4 P.M.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Kim Tran, Student Representative

- Honors and Awards night held this evening at 7:00 P.M.;
- May 19th – MS Walk at EHHS track at 2:30 P.M.
- May 21st – EHHS PTO is hosting its annual golf tournament to fund Project Graduation at Long Hill Country Club. Information is on the school's Web site;
- May 21st – Abelon Walk for pancreatic cancer at EHHS;
- Next week is Spirit Week;
- June 1st – Senior Picnic at High Meadows;
- June 3rd – Senior Prom, 6:00 P.M. at the Convention Center;
- June 8th – Class Night – 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Human Resources/Appointments/No Action Required

**Report on Continuation of Program Improvement Project (PIP) Grant FY 2011-2012
(Pat Perrone, Coordinator, Adult Education)**

Mr. Mainuli presented an update of the Continuation of Program Improvement Project (PIP) grant. He noted we are applying for the PIP grant for FY 2011-2012 in the amount of \$67,770. This continuation of the grant will continue to allow us to provide a third high school completion option – the National External Diploma Program (NEDP) and offer a Transitions to College and Careers program for Credit Diploma, GED and ESL students.

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RAGE Program

(Chuck Nystrom)

Mr. Nystrom noted 31 students participated in the recent competition in St. Louis. On August 1, CNN will air a special regarding the RAGE program.

Mr. Nystrom noted the Robotics Program will need a new space in East Hartford . They must vacate their current space by June 30th. Hopefully, they will find a relocation site prior to that date.

Uniforms – Discussion and Presentation with Students on Uniform Committee

Ms. Andrea Tatasciore, Special Education teacher, and member of the Uniform Committee, presented three students in full uniform to share with the Board what the uniforms look like. Each student wore a different garment to show the choices available to parents/students.

Chairperson/ Superintendent Reports

Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes

- Congratulations to Dr. Mark Zito on the completion of his Doctoral degree;
- We will be working on creating School Governance Councils very soon....they will be on our Web site. We must have these in place by November 1st.

Superintendent Mark Zito

- Thank you to Mary Alice and the Board for moving this evening's meeting start time to 8:00 so that we could acknowledge all students honored this evening;
- Superintendent Zito commended Frank Staples and Uyi Osunde, EHHS Guidance Department, for being invited to present at the New England Forum. They also have been asked to be resources to other schools because of the impact they have made in developing a college-going culture at EHHS;
- The second Annual Knowledge Bowl will be held on Thursday, June 2nd at 6:00 p.m. Further information will be forthcoming.

Special Committee Reports

Policy & Audit – Bryan Hall- meeting scheduled for June 6th, 6:00 P.M.

Curriculum – Dorese Roberts – meeting scheduled for June 13th, 6:00 P.M.

Facilities – Anita Morrison –meeting scheduled for June 7th, 5:30 P.M.

Finance & Audit – Jeffrey Currey – meeting scheduled for June 8th, 5:30 P.M.

PERSONNEL

MOTION

By Anita Morrison

Seconded by Jeffrey Currey

To approve **One (1) Retirement:**

1. Patricia G. Muggleston, Literacy Coach, effective 6/30/11

Motion unanimously carried.

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MOTION By Anita Morrison
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey
To approve **Two (2) Resignations:**
1. Amanda L. Rivard, Spec. Ed Para, effective 5/20/11;
2. Frederick Lester, Behavior Manager, effective 5/3/11
Motion unanimously carried.

OLD AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve the following items placed on the Consent
Calendar under Old and Unfinished Business, Items a-d:

To Remove from Table and Approve Policy 5118 – Non-Resident Attendance
(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

To Remove from Table and Approve Policy 5123.3 – Graduation Ceremonies
(Participation)
(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

To Remove from Table and Approve Policy 6176 – Career and Technical Education
(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

To Remove from Table and Approve Policy 6176.1 – Career and Technical Education
(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Food Service Management Contract Renewal with Sodexo Management, Inc.
(Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services)

MOTION By Jeffrey Currey
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve Food Service Management contract renewal with
Sodexo Management, Inc.
Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Mainuli noted this contract renewal is for the second year of the agreement.

Approve State of Connecticut Healthy Food Certification for FY 2011-12 Under Section 10-215f of the Connecticut General Statutes
(Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services)

MOTION By Jeffrey Currey
Seconded by Anita Morrison
The East Hartford Board of Education is authorized to “exclude from

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such certification the sale to students of food and beverage items as identified in Section 10-215f and Section 10-221q and detailed in Section 3(b) – Exemption Statement: provided (1) such sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of a regular school day or on a weekend, (2) such sale is at a location of the event, and (3) such food is not sold from a vending machine or school store. Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION

By Bryan Hall

Seconded by Jeffrey Currey

The East Hartford Board of Education will allow the sale to students of beverages not listed in the State statute provided that the following conditions are met: (1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; (2) the sale is at the location of the event; and (3) the beverages are not sold from a vending machine or school store.

Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Mainuli noted each year the State of Connecticut requires local Boards of Education to approve a Healthy Food Certification Statement and must be sent to the Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education by July 1, 2011. Further, Mr. Mainuli noted the board receives over \$90,000 each year in additional school lunch revenues through out participation in this program. The Board's approval must include the aforementioned two Motions.

Approve Increase in School Lunch Prices to Comply with The Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-296)

MOTION

By Jeffrey Currey

Seconded by Anita Morrison

To approve increase in lunch prices by five cents to meet the average price of a school lunch at \$2.46 to comply with The Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-296)

Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Mainuli noted the proposed meal prices do not affect school children receiving free and reduced meals.

Approve Bid # 1669-11 Painting of Lockers at East Hartford Middle School Pending Funds Availability

(Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services)

(Al Costa, Director of Facilities)

MOTION

By Anita Morrison

Seconded by Dorese Roberts

To approve Bid # 1669-11 Painting of Lockers at EHMS and award to Prism Painting & Decorating at a cost of \$4,200.00, pending funds availability.

Motion unanimously carried.

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MOTION By Jeffrey Currey
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve the following items e, f and g, placed on the Consent
Calendar:

To Table for First Read Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process/ Conduct and Discipline

(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

To Table for First Read Policy 5141.21 – Administering Medicine

(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

To Table for First Read Policy 6111 – School Calendar

(Bryan Hall, Chair, Policy & Audit Committee)

Motion unanimously carried.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS - None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS BY BOARD MEMBERS - None

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Jeffery Currey
To adjourn to Executive Session for discussion with possible action
regarding:
1. contract with Nurses Union,
2. contract with Local 1950,
3. contract with Local 1933,
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Donna Fitzgerald

The Board meeting reconvened at 7:48 P.M.

MOTION By Bryan Hall
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve the 2011 – 2015 collective bargaining agreement with the
Nurses Union.
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Anita Morrison
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To approve the 2011 – 2014 collective bargaining agreement with Local
1950, Behavior Managers.
Motion unanimously carried.

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MOTION By Marcus Oladell, IV
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To approve the 2011 – 2014 collective bargaining agreement with Local 1933, Custodial Maintenance.
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (9:18 P.M.)
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by Christopher Wethje

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION