

**FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 6, 2010**

A meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education Finance & Audit Committee was held on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, at the Board of Education Administration Building, 1110 Main Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 P.M. by Chairman Ram Aberasturia.

PRESENT Ram Aberasturia, Chairman
Marcus Oladell, IV, Committee Member

ABSENT Tyrone Harris, Committee Member

ALSO PRESENT Paul Mainuli, Director of Finance
Joanne Zatarain, CPA, Business Department
Ken Sayers, Network Administrator, IT Department

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve the Minutes of the September 1, 2010 meeting
Motion unanimously carried.

Public Participation – None

Discussion and Possible Approval of Printer Maintenance Contract Extension with CBS/Xerox

MOTION By Marcus Oladell, IV
Seconded by Ram Aberasturia
To approve contract extension with CBS/Xerox until June 2012
and move to the full Board for its approval.
Motion unanimously carried.

MR. Sayers noted that we will realize an annual savings of approximately \$9,000 by continuing our printer maintenance contract with CBS/Xerox.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Cell Phone Contract

MOTION By Marcus Oladell, IV
Seconded by Ram Aberasturia
To approve cell phone contract with Verizon Wireless for all telephones
without push and talk feature for Facilities Department and
move to the full Board for its approval.
Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Zatarain noted there have been numerous complaints regarding the limited reception received from Sprint/Nextel cell phones. By switching Verizon Wireless, it will allow a much wider network to make and receive cell phone calls. However, we will incur an increase of approximately \$5,700 above what we are currently being charged. The Verizon Wireless cell phones were also tested throughout the district by IT staff.

Discussion of First Quarter Finance Report

(Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services)

Mr. Manuli reported we have \$2.5 million encumbered for out-of-district tuition for Special Education. However, we expect to receive upwards of \$4 million from tuition students attending Woodland School. Regarding line 5111 – Pupil Transportation, busses were added for Great Path Academy and O'Brien School – Special Education. Also, costs for extra school days for the CT River Academy at Goodwin School combine to account for the \$75,000 shortfall in this account. Presently, we have a balance of \$4,316,145.07. Mr. Mainuli feels we are on target at this juncture.

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION

By Marcus Oladell, IV

Seconded by Ram Aberasturia

To adjourn the meeting of the Finance & Audit Committee
(6:40 P.M.)

Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Donna Fitzgerald