

STONINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 14, 2007

Mr. Bolduc, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room. Members present were John Bolduc, Chairman, April Smith, Secretary, Corinne Rossi, Sam Agnello, Ed Haberek, Rob Cary and Gail MacDonald.

Also present were Michael McKee, Superintendent of Schools, Jackie Garvie, Recording Secretary, members of the staff, and interested citizens.

Recognitions by Board Members and Superintendent

Mr. McKee recognized Jim Hilbie, MMS Music Teacher, who has been recognized as Connecticut Association of Schools Middle Level Educator of the Year. He also recognized SHS Junior, Lauren Gillick, daughter of William and Maureen Gillick, for being selected as one of 33 students nationally to attend a week-long Economics for Leaders program in San Francisco this summer. Mr. McKee recognized that Sue Dumas, MMS Principal, will retire on July 30 and was unable to attend tonight's meeting. He also recognized that this would be Claudia Albert's last board meeting since she is retiring on June 29. Mr. McKee recognized PMS teachers, Janie Ingham and Jeanne Steinnagel, for their work and efforts on developing and implementing the Chikumbuso Africa project at PMS. Ms. Steinnagel gave a presentation on her recent visit to Chikumbuso. Gail MacDonald commended SHS teacher, Matt Peel, for a fine job overseeing the Wise Senior Project Dinner.

Student Government Report

Danielle Giserman reported on behalf of the student government on the following:

- Student government held an Activities Fair for incoming students.
- Danielle introduced Lauren Gillick as the new Student Government President.

Consent Agenda

A. Minutes

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by Rob Cary:

- **Motion 1: To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 10, 2007 and Special Meetings of May 10, 2007 and May 17, 2007.**

Aye: All

B. Checks and Bills

The following motion was made by Ed Haberek and seconded by Sam Agnello:

- **Motion 2: To approve the disbursement of checks and bills for the month of May 2007.**

Aye: All

C. Intra-account Transfers

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by Ed Haberek:

- **Motion 3: To approve the intra-account transfers for the month of May 2007.**

Aye: All

Business and Finance

A. Monthly Financial Reports

Frank Connolly, Business Director, reported on the financial reports.

B. 2006-2007 Budget

Mr. Connolly gave the Board a priority list for end of the year spending. The Board added The priority list to the agenda of the special meeting on June 20, 2007.

C. Project Updates

Bill King and Frank Connolly reported on the following projects: HV/AC at SHS, defibrillators, SHS irrigation, WBSS fire escape painting, MMS playing field, wind power, 2007-08 CIP purchase and track resurfacing.

Curriculum and Instruction

Mrs. Albert gave a brief update on Technology.

Committee Reports

A. Building Committee Report

Gail MacDonald reported that the Building Committee discussed how to proceed on looking at the potential needs of elementary schools. The committee also looked at redistricting and the impact on the schools. Also compared educational specifications to Fletcher/Thompson designs and made some adjustments to the designs.

B. Athletic Committee Meeting

Mr. Bolduc reported that the committee reviewed the Winter Sports Report. The committee also discussed the revised regulations for policy 5131.6 – Students; Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco.

C. SEF

Gail MacDonald reported that SEF is getting ready to launch its annual appeal. She also reported that SEF met with David Eck and that SEF will serve as the non-profit agency to receive funds on behalf of the MMS field.

D. LEARN

Ed Haberek reported that LEARN has extended the Executive Director's contract. He also reported that the CABE Leadership Institute will be in Old Lyme this year.

Board Notifications

Rob Cary suggested that the Board discuss and consider alternative ways it may receive important notifications from the Superintendent's office.

Policies

- A. Revised Regulation 5131.6 – Students; Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco
The Board discussed the suggested changes made by the Ad Hoc Policy Committee.

The following motion was made by Gail MacDonald and seconded by Corinne Rossi:

- **Motion 4: To approve the revised Regulation 5131.6 – Students; Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco.**

The vote was as follows:

Ed Haberek – Yes	Corinne Rossi – Yes
April Smith – Yes	John Bolduc – No
Sam Agnello – No	Rob Cary – Yes
Gail MacDonald – Yes	

The motion carried.

- B. Revised Regulation 5141.25 – Students; Students with Special Healthcare Needs.
The Board reviewed the recommended changes. These regulations must be updated annually.

Superintendent’s Report

Mr. McKee reported on the following:

- A. Personnel
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Retirement

Claudia Albert	Assistant Superintendent- 8 years	June 29, 2007
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The following motion was made by Rob Cary and seconded by April Smith:

- **Motion 5: To approve the retirement of Claudia Albert (June 29, 2007) with regret and great appreciation for her many years of service. To spread across the minutes a resolution commemorating the retirement of Claudia Albert.**

Aye: All

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Personnel

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New Appointments

William Yuhas	1.0 Business Teacher	SHS
Emily Ballard	1.0 Science Teacher	SHS
Angela Capalbo	1.0 Guidance Counselor	SHS
Julie Bergel	1.0 Math Teacher	SHS
Thomas Bousquet	1.0 Guidance Conselor	MMS

Resignation

Nathan Matzdorff	1.0 Math Teacher	SHS
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ADDED TEACHING

Resignations

Nathan Matzdorff	Math Coach	SHS
Ken Godfrey	Head Crew Coach	SHS
Pauline Bruno	2010 Class Advisor	SHS
Cathy Pellegrino	2010 Class Advisor	SHS

B. Important Dates

Senior Banquet – Tuesday, June 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Special Board Meeting – Wednesday, June 20 at 6:00 p.m.

SHS Graduation – June 21, 2007

The Board discussed possible dates for the Superintendent's evaluation and the Board's self-evaluation.

Board Comments

Ed Haberek asked about scheduling the "Paperless Board" presentation.

The following motion was made by Rob Cary and seconded by Ed Haberek:

- **Motion 6: To adjourn at 9:50 p.m.**

Aye: All

April Smith, Board Secretary