

Coventry Board of Education
Coventry, Connecticut

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Approved Minutes of Thursday, July 12, 2018
Administration Building Conference Room

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Beausoleil, Chairman
Eugene Marchand, Vice Chairman
William Oros, Secretary
Peter Larson
Frank Infante
Mary Kortmann
Kelly Sobol

Administrators Present:

Dr. David J. Petrone, Superintendent of Schools
Robert Carroll, Director of Finance and Operations

I. Call to Order

J. Beausoleil called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

II. Salute to the Flag

J. Beausoleil led the salute to the flag.

III. Audience of Citizens

There were none.

IV. Report of Superintendent

Dr. Petrone reviewed the different activities taking place around the district during the summer.

Dr. Petrone added that Sgt. Mike McDonagh is retiring, and he wanted to publicly note the support Mike has provided over the years to the students and schools. E. Marchand said the sergeant will be missed. All Board members agreed.

V. VOTE: Consent Agenda

V.A. Accept resignation of Christopher Ekstrom, CNH Teacher

V.B. Accept retirement of Sharon Sandman, CNH/CHS Teacher

MOTION: Approve the consent agenda as presented

By: E. Marchand

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes unanimously

VI. Report of Chairman

J. Beausoleil said this meeting is a good chance to get an update of the summer projects.

VIII. VOTE: Approval of Minutes

VIII.A. Approve Minutes of June 28, 2018

MOTION: To approve the minutes of June 28, 2018

By: M. Kortmann

Seconded: E. Marchand

Result: Motion passes unanimously

IX. Old Business

IX.A. Information: Facilities Projects Update

Dr. Petrone reviewed the projects taking place including, the security enhancements at the high school, Coventry Academy, boilers, oil tanks, the ventilators and the 18-21 program at Patriot's Park.

J. Beausoleil asked if there are concerns about finishing on time. Dr. Petrone said not at this time.

Dr. Petrone thanked the Town staff for their collaboration and said how much he appreciates their efforts.

Dr. Petrone also reviewed the Voluntary Corrective Action Plan that has been submitted to the State in regards to the ADA/Civil Rights compliance issues that have been completed.

IX.B. VOTE: To Approve Educational Specifications for School Construction Projects

J. Beausoleil reviewed why this vote is on the agenda again. She said the State has requested a more detailed motion approving the specifications of the projects.

Motion: To Approve the Educational Specifications for the following School Construction Projects:

Coventry Grammar School - Underground Oil Tank;

George Hersey Robertson School - Underground Oil Tank;

Capt. Nathan Hale School - Underground Oil Tank and the Fire Doors/Fire Code Violation Project;

Coventry High School - Underground Oil Tank and the Asbestos Abatement and the Fire Doors/Fire Code Violation Project

By: W. Oros

Seconded: E. Marchand

Result: Motion passes unanimously

X. Report of Board Members

E. Marchand said the interviews have been completed for the Student Board of Education Representative. W. Oros said they were very impressed with those who were interested. E. Marchand said we should have a new representative by the first meeting of the school year.

E. Marchand added that the Chair of the Walls Committee will present an update at the August 30 BOE meeting.

X.A. Information: Fiscal Committee Report, Meeting of July 12, 2018

M. Kortmann said the June 30 numbers were reviewed. She said that \$29,971 would be returned to the Town general fund. She said the special education figures were favorable this year, which is rare.

Mr. Carroll said both the food services and preschool accounts finished in the black, with the preschool funds doing very well.

M. Kortmann said Fiscal reviewed the communications/questions from a Town Council member and related draft answers.

Mr. Carroll said diesel and heating oil rates have been locked in for FY19.

XI. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

By: M. Kortmann

Seconded: W. Oros

Result: Motion passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Arey Delorme
Board Clerk

Approved: August 30, 2018