

Coventry Board of Education
Coventry, Connecticut

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Approved Minutes of Thursday, September 13, 2018
Administration Building Conference Room

Board Members Present:

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

Board Members Absent:

Frank Infante

Administrators Present:

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

Audience members present: Joseph Blake, CHS Principal; Dena DeJulius, CNH Principal; Michele Mullaly, Director of Teaching and Learning; Cathie Drury, Director of Educational Technology; Jennifer DeRagon, GHR Principal; Beth Giller, Director of PSSS; Ronda Carrie CGS Principal; Stephen Merlino, CHS Assistant Principal; and CHS students.

I. Call to Order

J. Beausoleil called the meeting to order at 7:36 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 noted the busy start to the school year. He talked about the two Open Houses that have already been held. E. Marchand said how great both Open Houses were.

There was a brief review of the first week of school and how the schools handled the very warm weather. The principals commented on the special air conditioned spaces that were available to teachers and students and said how well it worked.

IV.B. Information: Superintendent's 2018-2019 Goal Presentation

Dr. Petrone reviewed the goals of the district for the 2018-19 school year. Those goals are available on the district's website.

The Board focused on Student Led Conferences; Intervention Initiatives; the new Chromebooks; the new technology ticketing system; the vocational training program; teacher evaluation process; and the ECSU student intern program.

As Dr. Petrone finished his presentation he gave credit to the entire team of Coventry school staff. J. Beausoleil said these goals are an example of why the district is continuing to excel and progress.

V. VOTE: Consent Agenda

V.A. Approve the CHS February 2019 Field Experience to New York, NY

V.B. Approve the CHS May/June Field Experience to Allentown, PA

MOTION: Approve the Consent Agenda

By: P. Larson

Seconded: M. Kortmann

Result: Motion passes unanimously

VI. Report of Chairman

J. Beausoleil thanked Cathie Drury and Jeff Spivey for the professional development for the Board members in regards to the new Chromebooks and their continued patience and assistance.

J. Beausoleil said the Open Houses are phenomenal. She thanked all of the staff for their efforts.

J. Beausoleil said she attended the Town Finance Committee meeting. She talked about the type of information that is available to those committee members and where to find it. She also noted the next time the Finance Committee and Fiscal Committee will meet together is November 8.

She added that a tour of the facilities projects has been scheduled for Board members on Thursday, October 4 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

VIII. VOTE: Approval of Minutes

VIII.A. Approve Minutes of August 30, 2018

MOTION: To approve the minutes of August 30, 2018

By: W. Oros

Seconded: K. Sobol

Result: Motion passes unanimously

IX. Old Business

IX.A. Information and possible VOTE: ENCON Proposal, Approve New ZREC Application Authorization

J. Beausoleil said, while the Board was waiting to see if there would be any progress on the Microgrid project, we are now at a point where we have to decide so as not to miss the deadline.

MOTION: To approve the ENCON proposal for the new ZREC application authorization

By: M. Kortmann

Seconded: P. Larson

Discussion: The Board reviewed the location of the proposed panels. Mr. Carroll reviewed rates.

Result: Motion passes unanimously

X. Report of Board Members

X.A. Information: Fiscal Committee Report, Meeting of September 13, 2018

