

WILLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by chairman Mark Makuch at the Town Office Building.

PRESENT: Mark Makuch, Laurie Semprebon, Leo Mercado, Barry Walleth, Mark Jones, Superintendent David Harding

ABSENT: Herb Arico, Erika Wiecewski

COMMUNICATIONS:

Superintendent Harding shared a parent communication.

PRESENT TO SPEAK:

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Harding reported on the water project status being back on track, discussing details for a potential timeline, the lunch program remained strong for the year and he recommended to keep current prices the same, CMT results will be available to the public on the CTReports.com website on Thursday, the special education audit is basically complete with interviews for the town's superintendents and special education directors to follow with a report expected by the beginning of the school year, the summer projects are going well of roof and chimney at CES, with a new floor in the cafeteria at HMS, and a fence at CES both to take place in August.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee met and reviewed the bills.

Facilities Committee will have a walk through date after school starts.

Transportation Committee met with M&J Transportation and were very optimistic about the new company. Discussed incentives by the state for regionalization of bus routes, surveys for community on seat belt issues, and bus lot trailer status, request and possibilities.

Policy Committee met tonight and received last set of 6000 series to begin reviewing.

Negotiations Committee began meetings and have dates set up with the union for this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Laurie Semprebon, seconded by Barry Walleth, to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2010 Board Meeting.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

Board discussed water committee and board duties and responsibilities.

MOTION: by Mark Makuch, seconded by Mark Jones for the Board of Education to ask the existing town water committee to continue their design activities of Phase I into Phase II of the Center School water project and submit design proposal and awarding of any bids for final approval to the Board of Education.

VOTE: Yes: Mark Jones, Leo Mercado, Laurie Semprebon, Mark Makuch  
No: Barry Wallett

Motion Passed

Board accepted the resignation of HMS grade five teacher, Hope Zettwoch, and the new hire of Laura Gilbert to fill that same position.

MOTION: by Mark Makuch, seconded by Laurie Semprebon to cancel the regularly scheduled August Board of Education Meeting and schedule a special meeting, if needed, for the water project in August.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

Board discussed retreat and possible dates.  
Board discussed legislative update.

OLD BUSINESS:

Board held second reading of second section of revised, new policy #5132 Student Dress Code.

MOTION: by Laurie Semprebon, seconded by Barry Wallett to Be it Resolved: That upon the recommendation of the Policy Review Committee and the Superintendent of Schools, The Willington Board of Education adopts **Board of Education Policy Manual, Section 5000, Students, policies 5132, Dress Code** as presented with final language to be submitted by the policy committee members.

VOTE: Yes: Barry Wallett, Laurie Semprebon  
No: Mark Jones, Mark Makuch, Leo Mercado

Motion Failed

MOTION: by Laurie Semprebon, seconded by Leo Mercado, to approve the Superintendent of schools salary of \$141,000 for the 2010-2011 school year with a 0% increase for the 2011-2012 school year.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

PRESENT TO SPEAK:

None

BOARD COMMENTS:

Board members attended the HMS success assembly, graduation and received the River Road Review.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Nichole Page  
Recording Secretary