

West Hartford Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
April 7, 2015

Present: Mrs. Exum, Dr. Overmyer-Velazquez, Mr. Putterman, Mr. Sarzen, Mr. Schmitt,
Mr. Zydanowicz, Superintendent Moore, Student Representative Paul Zeuschner (Hall)
Absent: Student Representative Henley Solomon (Conard)

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<p>The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.</p>	<p><i>Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance/Revision to Agenda Order</i></p>
<p>There were no Public Communications.</p>	<p><i>Public Communications</i></p>
<p>Mr. Schmitt moved, seconded by Mrs. Exum: THAT the Board of Education review the Superintendent's proposed budget in the amount of \$148,576,424, make revisions as necessary, and adopt the 2015-2016 Board of Education Budget</p>	<p><i>Adoption of the 2015-2016 Board of Education Budget</i></p>
<p>Mr. Chip Ward summarized the changes discussed during the last budget workshop that resulted in a \$206,000 reduction to the budget.</p>	
<p>Board members individually expressed appreciation to the Superintendent and the Administration for their efforts and comprehensive and thoughtful budget proposed. The majority of the Board stated their support and value of the schools, students and faculty and indicated support for the proposed budget. Members not supporting the budget expressed support for the schools but had concerns about constraints forced on the district due to the State's lack of Educational Cost Sharing (ECS) funds distribution. The budget in the revised amount of \$148,370,252 was voted on.</p>	
<p>The motion passed 4-2.</p>	
<p>In Favor: Mrs. Exum, Dr. Overmyer-Velazquez, Mr. Putterman, Mr. Schmitt</p>	
<p>Opposed: Mr. Sarzen, Mr. Zydanowicz</p>	
<p>Mr. Tom Moore expressed gratitude to all who presented great ideas during the budget process and acknowledged his Leadership Team. Mr. Moore announced the retirement of Kathy McKay, Aiken Elementary School principal and indicated the recruitment process and</p>	<p><i>Superintendent's Report</i></p>

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profile development had begun. The appointment of interim principal, Kristie Laverty to permanent principal of Duffy was also announced.

Mr. Schmitt moved, seconded by Mr. Sarzen:

Financial Report

THAT the Board of Education approve the Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2015

Mr. Schmitt provided an oral report of the financial statement. Mr. Chip Ward was available to answer questions of the Board.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Schmitt moved, seconded by Mrs. Exum:

Approval of the Minutes

THAT the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting of March 17, 2015

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sarzen moved, seconded by Mrs. Exum:

THAT the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Board of Education meeting of March 25, 2015

The motion passed unanimously.

Paul Zeuschner (Hall) reported on Spring sports and the ability to practice outside and shared the success of and personal participation in the Student Association's annual hypnotist performance.

Report from Student Board Representative

Dr. Overmyer-Velazquez announced the following meeting dates:

Announcement of Meeting Dates

1. Tuesday, April 21, 2015, BOE meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, room 314, Legislative Chamber
2. Tuesday, May 5, 2015, BOE meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, room 314, Legislative Chamber
3. Tuesday, May 19, 2015, BOE meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, room 314, Legislative Chamber
4. Tuesday, May 26, 2015, Board Awards, 6:00 p.m., King Philip Middle School, 100 King Philip Drive
5. Tuesday, June 2, 2015, BOE meeting, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, room 314, legislative Chamber

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Mr. Zydanowicz moved, seconded by Mr. Sarzen:

Adjournment

That the Board adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Mark Overmyer-Velazquez, Chairperson Terry Schmitt, Secretary
Respectfully submitted by: Ms. K. Lawrence, Clerk of the Board

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