

EXETER-WEST GREENWICH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 6:00 p.m.

Education Meeting

Jr. - Sr. High School Library, 930 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI

MEETING MINUTES

Convene Meeting

Call to Order Chair Cicero, 6:05 PM

Board members present: Teri Cicero, Chairperson; Valerie Zuercher, Clerk; Theresa Donovan, Claudine Pande, Lee Kissinger, (arrived 6:07 p.m.)

Board members absent: Mark Rafanelli, Vice Chairperson; Paul McFadden

Others present: James Erinakes, II, Superintendent; Robert Ross, Director of Administration; Student Member Hannah Morgan

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. District Mission Statement

III. Open Forum (15-minute limit)

IV. Presentations

A. Student Member Report

Member Kissinger arrived, (6:07 p.m.)

B. Jr. High School Presentation

Principal Mary Smith announced the Grade-8 Moving Up Ceremony would take place on Friday, June 21 at 9:00 AM. She invited two School Committee members to partake in the ceremony as presenters.

V. Routine Items

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – Executive Session Minutes of April 5, 2013

B. Personnel Items

1. Appointments – (As Recommended by the Superintendent)

a. Jeffrey Bain as Interim Director of Instructional and Information Technologies, Stipend \$3,000; effective May 1, 2013

2. Leaves of Absence

3. Resignations

4. Grievances

5. Non-Renewals

MSV = Motion, Seconded, Vote

- 6. **Recalls – (As Recommended by the Superintendent)**
 - a. Please see attached – Initial Recalls – April 23, 2013

- 7. **Sabbaticals**

- C. **Bills – Item Pulled**

- D. **Home School Approvals**

- End Consent Agenda**

Member Donovan requested to pull the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013 for clarification.

Clerk Zuercher requested to pull the Bills for discussion.

MSV – To accept consent agenda with the exception of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013 and the Bills – Zuercher/Kissinger – (5-0) – MOTION APPROVED

- E. **Correspondence – (1) April 11, 2013 Communication from Superintendent Erinakes to West Greenwich Police Chief Ramsay and Kevin Breene regarding School Resource Officer agreement; (2) April 11, 2013 Communication from Chief Justice Paul Suttell to Superintendent Erinakes expressing appreciation for accommodating the Rhode Island Supreme Court’s April 4 visit to EWG Senior High**

- F. **2013 – 2014 Budget**

- VI. **New Business**

- VII. **Unfinished Business**

- A. **GPA Update**

- B. **School Resource Officer**

In response to Clerk Zuercher’s request, members agreed this item would continue on the agenda until the committee identifies which officer will be assigned to the District.

- VIII. **Reports/Comments**

Returned to items pulled from the Consent Agenda

- A. **Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013**

Member Donovan referenced the two motions recorded in the April 9 meeting minutes to authorize hiring an SRO (School Resource Officer) and questioned the accuracy of the transcription of both votes showing provisions regarding consistency with North Kingstown and Coventry

firearm requirements. Chair Cicero said she did recall, and all other members concurred, the provision was part of both motions.

B. Bills – (ENCLOSED) – Bills in the amount of \$349,549.31

Clerk Zuercher referenced Transaction # 17803 -- Legal Services and said she is concerned about the costly legal expenses totaling \$8,212.00 thus far, with additional fees to follow, relating to the complaint filed with the Attorney General's Office against the School Committee by Member Paul McFadden. In response to her request, the committee agreed to place this item on the next regular meeting agenda for discussion.

MSV – To accept consent agenda items, **Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013** and the **Bills**. Donovan/Kissinger – (5-0) – MOTION APPROVED

- IX. **Important Dates and Meetings** –Tuesday, May 14, 2013-School Committee Meeting-*Wawaloam School Presentation @ Wawaloam School*; Tuesday, May 28, 2013-School Committee Meeting-*Special Education Presentation*; Thursday, May 30, 2013-Honor's Night, (6:30PM); Friday, May 31, 2013-Prom; **Wednesday, June 12, 2013**-School Committee Meeting; Saturday, June 22, 2013-Graduation; Tuesday, June 25, 2013-Last Day of School; Tuesday, June 25, 2013-School Committee Meeting

MSV – To move to Executive Session in accordance with 42-46-5 (a)(1) – Personnel at 7:09 PM – Zuercher/Kissinger and voted as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

Teri Cicero	AYE
Valerie Zuercher	AYE
Lee Kissinger	AYE
Theresa Donovan	AYE
Claudine Pande	AYE

- X. **Executive Session – RIGL 42-46-4 and RIGL 42-46-5**
A. **42-46-5 (a)(9) – CBA – Grievance(s)**
B. **42-46-5 (2) – CBA – (C-94/Teachers' Association)-Negotiation Discussion and/or Pending Litigation**
C. **42-46-5 (a)(1) – Personnel**

MSV – To reconvene to Open Session Kissinger/Donovan – (5-0) MOTION APPROVED

Reconvened to Open Session at 7:50 PM

Report on Executive Session Vote: No votes taken

XI. Adjournment

MSV – To adjourn – Kissinger/Donovan – (5-0) – MOTION APPROVED
The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

**ROBIN CERIO
CLERK**