

Warwick School Committee Minutes
Meeting of May 26, 2009
Open Session

The Warwick School Committee met in Open Session at the Administration Building, on Tuesday, May 26, 2009. Chairman Friel called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. with the following in attendance:

COMMITTEE

Christopher Friel, Chairperson
Lucille Mota-Costa, Vice Chair
Paul Cannistra
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr.

ADMINISTRATION

Peter P. Horoschak, Superintendent
Rosemary Healey, Esq., Director of Compliance & Human Resources
Leonard Flood, Director of Business Affairs

Professional Retirements:

MOTION 2009-104: Moved by Mr. Cannistra, seconded by Ms. Mota-Costa, to accept the following **retirements**: Maria Tasca, Kindergarten teacher at Wyman, effective the last day of school; **Donald Richard Sr.**, Guidance Counselor at Veterans, effective the last day of school; **Frederick Morris**, Science Department Head at Toll Gate, effective June 30, 2009; and **Maureen Butler**, Special Educator at Pilgrim, effective the last day of school.

MOTION PASSES (4-0)

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - [absent]
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

New Business

Mr. Flood recommended the bid received by WB Community Health on our behalf with Delta Dental as the plan administrator under the self insured program. The rates for the plan are substantially less than both our current rates with Blue Cross as well as our budgeted cost for FYE 2010. We will save approximately \$180,000 in next year's budget. The savings by participating in a self-insurance pool are achieved as not having to pay 2% state tax on insurance premiums and not having a 1% reserve built into the premium by the insurance company. The projected total cost of our dental insurance program next year will be approximately \$1.15 million. An important note is that the employee coverage under the plan will mirror our existing benefit package so employees will see no change in the level or types of benefits provided.

MOTION 2009-105: Moved by Mr. Cannistra, seconded by Ms. Mota-Costa, to approve that an award be made to W.B. Community Health with Delta Dental as the claims administrator, as per the bid with W.B. Community Health, and as set forth by Mr. Flood.

MOTION PASSES (4-0)

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - [absent]
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

MOTION 2009-106: Moved by Mr. Cannistra, seconded by Ms. Mota-Costa, to adjourn.

MOTION PASSES (4-0)

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - [absent]
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

Meeting adjourned: 6:45 p.m.

Bethany Furtado, Clerk
Betsey Snipes, Secretary