

UNAPPROVED

There was a special meeting of the Cumberland School Committee held on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at the Cumberland High School Auditorium, 2600 Mendon Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island.

Members Present

Lisa Beaulieu, Jeff Mutter, Paul DiModica, Mark Fiorillo – Linda Teel and Ray Salvatore were absent.

Administration Present: Dr. Phil Thornton, Superintendent, Robert Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent

Agenda Item #1: Chairperson Convenes Meeting

Chairwoman Beaulieu convened the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #3: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd Mr. DiModica, approved 4-0.

Agenda Item #4: Swearing in of New School Committee Member

Mayor McKee swore William Dennen in as the new School Committee member.

Agenda Item #5: Comments from the Public

Mr. Duffy congratulated Mr. Dennen on his appointment to the School Committee.

Agenda Item #6: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-7-2014-12: ENE Systems – Districtwide Energy Management Improvements Installation of Energy Management Systems and Boilers – Mr. Mutter stated that this was in Fiscal Management earlier this evening and it was discussed and recommended for passage and with that he made a motion to pass SC-PR-7-2014-12 with a stipulation that it is subject to approving the lease agreement, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #7: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-7-2014-13: Parking Lot Lighting – Ashton School – Mr. Mutter stated that this was in FM earlier in the evening and he then made a motion to approve SC-PR-7-2014-13, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #8: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-7-2014-14: Building Maintenance – Repoint/Replace Exterior Brick – CHS Buildings – Mr. Mutter stated that this was discussed in FM earlier in the evening and was passed with a 2-1 vote, he then made a motion to amend line #8 to read “for an amount not to exceed \$50,000” and also to amend line #23 of SC-PR-7-2014-14, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0. Mr. Mutter made a motion to move passage of SC-PR-7-2014-14 as amended, although he did note that he would be voting no, 2nd Mr. DiModica, approved 4-1, Mr. Mutter voting in the negative.

Agenda Item #9: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-7-2014-15: Air Conditioning at McCourt Middle School and Cumberland High School – Mr. Mutter stated that this was in FM earlier in the evening and it was approved with a 3-0 vote with a stipulation that the funds will be available from the Master Lease from 2013. Mr. Mutter made a motion to approve SC-PR-7-2014-15, 2nd Mr. DiModica, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #10: Vote to Rescind Teacher Non-Renewals for the 2014-15 School Year – Mrs. Fogell noted that this request was regarding five teachers for the 2014-15 school year. She noted that there is one more teacher that would hopefully be recalled at the next meeting. Mr. Mutter made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #11: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Unbudgeted Position – Kindergarten Teacher – Dr. Thornton noted that the enrollment numbers keep going up and this teacher would be for Cumberland Hill. Mr. Mutter stated that this was in FM earlier in the evening and he then made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. DiModica and Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #12: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve the Following Employee Contracts:

- A. Elementary Principal, B. Elementary Assistant Principal and C. Athletic Director – Mrs. Fogell noted that all of these contracts were in compliance, all are one year contracts and all are budgeted – the Athletic Director is currently budgeted for part-time but will be adjusted to full time. Mr. Mutter made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Dennen and Mr. Fiorillo, approved 4-1, Mr. DiModica in the negative.

Agenda Item #13: Discussion and/or Vote to Approve the Appointments of: A. Elementary Principal – Elizabeth Coogan – Cumberland Hill Elementary, Mr. DiModica made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Mutter, approved 5-0. B. Elementary Assistant Principal – Debra Malcolm – Community Elementary, Mr. DiModica and Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 5-0. C. Athletic Director – Christopher Tashjian, Mr. Mutter and Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 4-1, Mr. DiModica in the negative.

Agenda Item #14: Personnel Recommendations – Mrs. Fogell requested the following personnel recommendations:

Resignations:

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the resignation of Sheri Burns, Preschool Teacher at Cumberland Preschool Center, effective 6/30/2014.

Mr. DiModica made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.

Appointments:

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of Keith Colwell, Instructional Technology Coach at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School, effective 8/14/2014. (FTE: 1.0; Step 7; Lane n/a; Stipend \$3,000; Co-pay: 22.0% budgeted)

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of Paula MacMillin, Instructional Technology Coach at North Cumberland Middle School, effective 8/14/2014. (FTE: 1.0; Step 10; Lane n/a; Stipend \$3,000; Co-pay: 22.0%; budgeted)

Mr. DiModica made a motion to approve both appointments, 2nd Mr. Mutter, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #15: Adjournment

Mr. DiModica made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 4-1, Mrs. Beaulieu in the negative.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Linda A. Jackvony