

MINUTES APPROVED – 2/26/2015

There was a regular meeting of the Cumberland School Committee held on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at the Cumberland High School Transitional District Meeting Center-T319, 2602 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI.

Members Present: Lisa Beaulieu, Raymond Salvatore, William Dennen, Craig Duffy, Mark Fiorillo, and Linda Teel. Paul DiModica was absent

Administration Present: Dr. Phil Thornton, Superintendent, Robert Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent, Tina Fogell, Director of Human Resources, Michael Chandler, Director of IT, Alex Prignano, Business Manager

Agenda Item #1: Chairperson Convenes Meeting

Chairwoman Beaulieu convened the meeting to order at 5:43 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. Salvatore, approved 6-0.

Agenda Item #4: Consent Agenda

- A. **Approval of Minutes** – Regular Meeting 1/22/2015
- B. **Approval of Minutes** – Executive Session 1/22/2015
- C. **Enrollment Report** – 2/1/2015
- D. **School Police Report** – 1/1/2015
- E. **Residency/Truancy Report** – 2/1/2015

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Duffy, approved 6-0.

Agenda Item #5: Report Out of Executive Session Meeting

Report Out of Executive Session Meeting on 2/12/2015 –

1. Report Out of Executive Session Votes – Mrs. Beaulieu stated that there were no votes taken.
2. Vote to Seal Minutes of Executive Session – Mrs. Teel made a motion to seal the minutes, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 6-0.

Agenda Item #6: Reports of Standing Committees

A. Payment of Bills

Mr. Fiorillo reported that at the 2/10/2015 meeting the sub-committee voted to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,624,649.71, 2nd Mr. Dennen. Approved 6-0.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to pay invoices in the amount of \$1,624,649.71

B. Building Committee Update

Mr. Fiorillo reported that the deadline for submitting the Stage II application to RIDE is March 23. RIDE had advised the building committee that the engineering study for Stage II had to include everything in the FCAP plan -- not just the projects included in Stage II.

This means that engineering study would be more expensive than anticipated.

Mr. Prignano stated that the Stage 1 application was completed in October 2014 and we had one year to submit the Stage II application. He also said that RIDE told the committee that the rules for reimbursement from the state would likely be changing soon and RIDE advised the committee to get the Stage II application in as soon as possible. Mr. Prignano said that the engineering study for Stage II was put out to bid and two companies responded with proposals.

Agenda Item #7: Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item #8: New Business

A. Vote on Teacher Non-Renewal/Dismissal Recommendations

Mrs. Beaulieu stated that in Executive Session earlier Mrs. Fogell presented a listing of 83 non-renewals for review. Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve Non-Renewals/Dismissal as presented by Mrs. Fogell, 2nd Mrs. Teel, approved 6-0.

B. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Home School Instruction Requests 2014-2015 School Year

Dr. Thornton said there was one home school instruction request and he recommended approval. Mr. Mitchell also recommended approval. Mrs. Teel made a motion to approve the home school instruction request, 2nd Mr. Duffy, approved 6-0.

C. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-2-2015-03: Architectural Engineering Design Bid Award

Mr. Prignano discussed the two bids that the school department received for the engineering study for Stage II application to RIDE. He said that the proposal from Torrado Architects was the lowest bid at \$78,000 because it included all required life-cycle analyses. The competing bid from RGB was \$71,500, plus \$3500 for each life-cycle analysis. The administration expects the district will need at least 3 life-cycle analyses. Mr. Prignano recommended that the Committee contract with Torrado for the engineering contract.

There was some discussion about the timeline for the Stage II application. Mr. Prignano said that there is a meeting with Mayor Murray scheduled for March 16, and that if Torrado could not meet that deadline the district would not pay for the engineering study. Mr. Prignano said that the \$78,000 for the engineering study would be eligible for partial reimbursement from the state, once the district submits the first project for reimbursement.

Mr. Prignano said that funding for the engineering study would be come from the Facilities capital budget.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve "SC-PR-2-2015-03: A Resolution Empowering The School Committee To Award To Torrado Architects Of Providence, RI For Architectural and Engineering Services in an Amount Not To Exceed \$78,000," 2nd Mrs.

Teel, approved 6-0.

D. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-2-2015-04: PARCC Computer Supplies Purchase

Mr. Chandler gave an overview of additional computing supplies that are needed for PARCC testing, including computer mice and headphones. He said that this equipment would be used for things other than PARCC testing, too. The quote for the equipment was \$9651.41 and \$10,000 had been budgeted for these items.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve “SC-PR-2-2015-04: A Resolution Empowering The School Committee To Award To Gov Connection Of Rockville, MD For Parcc Supplies in an Amount Not To Exceed \$9,651.41,” 2nd Mrs. Teel, approved 6-0.

E. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolution SC-PR-2-2015-05: Painting Services Bid Award

Mr. Prignano said that the administration would like to paint hallways and other common areas in the schools, and had advertised an RFP for painting services. They received multiple bids and Ptaszek Construction was the low-bidder.

The committee discussed the scope of work. Mr. Prignano said that the administration planned to spend up to \$75,000 at this time. The focus of the work would be hallways and other common areas, likely starting with Community School and North Cumberland Middle School. Mr. Salvatore asked about possible lead paint issues; Mr. Prignano said that the district regularly monitors for lead paint issues and no issues were expected, given the scope of this painting work.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve “SC-PR-2-2015-05: A Resolution Empowering The School Committee To Award To Ptaszek Construction Of East Providence, RI For Painting Services in an Amount Not To Exceed \$75,000,” 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 5-1, with Mr. Salvatore voting No.

Agenda Item #9: School Committee Comments (School Liaison Reports)

Mr. Fiorillo said that Mayor Murray had called him recently to discuss Green School Initiative grants and whether or not the district would be interested in applying. The deadline was coming soon, and Mr. Fiorillo said he would work on the grant applications. If awarded, each school could receive up to \$1000 and Mr. Fiorillo said the money could cover the cost of new water fountains with water bottle fillers.

Agenda Item #10: Personnel Recommendations

Mrs. Fogell presented the following personnel recommendations:

Resignation

Resignation of Betsy Lachapelle, Secondary Mathematics Teacher at Cumberland High School, effective January 26, 2015.

Appointments

Appointment of Andrea Goff, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher at the Cumberland Preschool Center, effective January 8, 2015 for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. (FTE: 1.0; Step 1; Lane: N/A; Co-pay: 22%; budgeted).

Appointment of Danielle Jacinto, School Nurse Teacher for the Cumberland School Department, effective January 13, 2015 for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. (FTE: 1.0; Step 1; Lane: N/A; Co-pay: 22%; budgeted).

Appointment of Nicole Turner, ELL Teacher for the Cumberland School Department, effective March 2, 2015. (FTE: 1.0; Step 5; Lane: Masters; Co-pay: 22%; budgeted).

Leaves of Absence

FMLA leave of absence of Heather Delfino, World Language Teacher at Cumberland High School from March 2, 2015 through approximately June 1, 2015.

FMLA leave of absence of Valerie Enos, Special Educator at Ashton Elementary School from March 24, 2015 through the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.

FMLA leave of absence of Elizabeth Langlois, Grade 6 Mathematics Teacher at North Cumberland Middle School from March 4, 2015 through approximately June 2, 2015.

FMLA leave of absence of Flavia Molea Baker, Secondary English/ELL Teacher at Cumberland High School from March 2, 2015 through approximately May 6, 2015.

FMLA leave of absence of Marissa Rodenhiser, Special Educator at North Cumberland Middle School from March 20, 2015 through the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations from Mrs. Fogell, 2nd Mrs. Teel, approved 6-0.

Mrs. Fogell made the following spring sports coaches recommendations:

Softball – Head: Marty Crowley, Asst: Malinda DeWaele

Girls Track – Head: Vanessa Malloy, Asst: Josh Lima

Girl's Lacrosse – Head: Hilary Switzer, Asst: Liz Fillo

Baseball – Head: Andrew Tuetken

Boy's Track – Head: Tom Kenwood, Head JV: Matt Campanelli

Golf – Head: James Dickinson

Boy's Tennis – Head: Ryan Rafanelli

Boy's Lacrosse – Head: Scott Carpenter

Baseball NCMS – Steve Cardoso

Softball NCMS – John McDonald

Unfilled positions: CHS Baseball Head JV, CHS Boy's Tennis Head JV, CHS Boy's Lacrosse Head JV, McCourt Baseball Head, McCourt Softball Head.

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to accept the coaching personnel recommendations from Mrs. Fogell, 2nd Mrs. Teel, approved 6-0.

Agenda Item #11: Adjournment

Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Mr. Duffy, approved 6-0.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by William J Dennen, Clerk.