

APPROVED 9.22.16

There was a regular meeting of the Cumberland School Committee held on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at the Cumberland High School Transitional Building Cafetorium, 2602 Mendon Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island.

Members Present: Lisa Beaulieu, William Dennen, Paul DiModica, Mark Fiorillo, Earl Wood – Raymond Salvatore and Linda Teel were absent this evening.

Administration Present: Superintendent Robert Mitchell, Atty. Stephen Adams

Agenda Item #1: Chairperson Convenes Meeting
Chairwoman Beaulieu convened the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #3: Approval of Agenda
Mr. Dennen made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd Mr. DiModica, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #4: Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting 8/25/2016
- B. Approval of Minutes – Executive Session 8/25/2016
- C. Enrollment Report – 9/1/2016
- D. School Police Report – 8/1/2016
- E. Residency/Truancy Report – 9/1/2016

Mr. DiModica made a motion to approve the consent agenda, 2nd Mr. Wood and Mr. Dennen, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #5: Report Out of Executive Session Meeting

- A. Report Out of Executive Session Meeting on 9/8/2016 – 1) Report Out of Executive Session Votes – Mrs. Beaulieu stated that there were no votes taken. 2) Vote to Seal Minutes of Executive Session – Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to seal the minutes, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #6: Superintendent's Report

- A. Opening Days – 2016-2017 School Year – Supt. Mitchell stated that the opening of school was very smooth – all eight schools were up and ready to go! MMS, NCMS and Ashton had significant work done over the summer and Supt. Mitchell wanted to thank teachers and staff members that put in extra time and effort to make sure that the schools were ready for opening day-they even worked Saturday and Sunday! He also thanked the maintenance staff and custodial staff for all of their hard work! A thank you also went out to the project manager and the contractors involved in all of the work done to those three schools. Teachers were painting their rooms and doing billboards during the summer and all of the teachers in the district just put forth so much effort – thank you to all of them! Supt. Mitchell said that some bus issues are still being worked on but he meets with Paul from Durham on a regular basis and will stay on top of things. Few locker issues at MMS and NCMS because the lockers had to be removed so that all the asbestos could be removed – MMS is all set now and NCMS should be all set within a day.

- B. Summer Construction Projects Update – Supt. Mitchell stated that they continue to have construction meetings – they have the certificate of occupancy for MMS, NCMS and Ashton. There will be some training of our staff in regards to the energy systems that were put in place. Project manager Paul Murphy did a great job and the commissioning agent will stay involved until the project completion to ensure that all of the work that was supposed to be done is complete and that all of the work is up to code.
- C. Presentation – Trip Evaluation – Paris/Normandy Trip – Mrs. Malloy was unable to attend this evenings meeting so this will be rescheduled.
- D. Best Buddies International – CHS Outstanding Chapter of the Year 2016 – Supt. Mitchell and Mrs. Beaulieu presented Nicole DiFazio and Susan Maria with a certificate for all of their commitment and hard work towards this organization. Thank you Nicole and Susan! Mr. Fiorillo noted that this organization is inspiring and those involved do a great job!

Agenda Item #7: Reports of Standing Committees

- A. Payment of Bills – Mr. DiModica stated that the sub-committee met earlier and made a motion to pay invoices in the amount of \$780,009.21, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.
- B. Fiscal Management Sub-Committee Update – Mr. DiModica stated that the sub-committee reviewed Sodexo’s overview from the beginning of school, and also reviewed the construction update.
- C. Policy & Procedures Sub-Committee Update – Mr. Fiorillo said there was no report this evening.
- D. Achievement & Communications Sub-Committee Update – Mrs. Teel was absent this evening.

Agenda Item #8: Comments from the Public

There were no comments this evening.

Agenda Item #9: New Business

- A. Discussion and/or Vote to Rescind Teacher Non-Renewal Recommendations – Mrs. Fogell said there were none this evening.
- B. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Home School Instruction Requests for the 2016-2017 School Year – Supt. Mitchell said that he had received several and recommended the SC to approve them. Mr. Dennen made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Fiorillo, approved 5-0.
- C. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Overnight Student Field Trip – CHS Grad Nite Trip – Orlando, Florida – April 2017 – Audrey Berthiume reviewed details of the trip for the SC and Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 5-0.
- D. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Revised 2016-2017 School Calendar – Change in Professional Development Day Schedule – Supt. Mitchell noted that instead of two P/D days in February – he was moving one to the end of the school year and will only have one in February on 2/22 – the P/D days will not effect the students last day of 6/13 – the last day for staff will be 6/14 – if snow days – all gets pushed out. Mr. Fiorillo made a motion to approve, 2nd Mr. Dennen, approved 5-0.

Agenda Item #10: Personnel Recommendations

Mrs. Fogell requested the following personnel recommendations:

Appointments -- New Employees

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Timothy Burns, PE/APE/Health Educator** at **Community Elementary School**, effective **8/30/2016** for the **2016-2017 school year. (FTE: 1.0; Step 1; Lane n/a; Co-pay: 20%).**

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Michelle Cole, Kindergarten Educator** at **Community Elementary School**, effective **09/02/2016** for the **2016-2017 school year. (FTE: 1.0; Step 2; Lane n/a; Co-pay: 20%).**

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Jacob Keeling, PE/APE/Health Educator** at **North Cumberland Middle School**, effective **09/06/2016. (FTE: 0.7; Step 1; Lane n/a; Co-pay: 20%).**

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Rachel Powell, Special Educator -- Specialized Classroom** at **Garvin Memorial School**, effective **8/29/2016. (FTE: 1.0; Step 6; Lane n/a; Co-pay: 20%).**

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Karen Skerry, Special Educator -- ALP** at **Cumberland High**, effective **9/09/2016. (FTE: 1.0; Step 10; Lane n/a; Co-pay: 20%).**

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

Coaching Appointment

I request the advice and consent of the School Committee on the appointment of **Justin Houle, Girls Junior Varsity Tennis Coach** at **Cumberland High School**, effective **09/08/2016.**

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

Agenda Item #11: School Committee Comments (School Liaison Reports)

Mr. DiModica would like to recognize and thank Freedom Bank on Mendon Road for always allowing our students to use their water to raise dollars for various groups!
Thank you Freedom Bank!!

Agenda Item #12: Vote to go into Executive Session for Discussion on Items Referred to in R.I.G.L. 42-46-5

Mrs. Beaulieu stated that there was no Executive Session this evening.

Agenda Item #13: Adjournment

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Linda A. Jackvony