

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2006

WESTERN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

400 PHENIX AVENUE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION: 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. – Convene to Executive Session Pursuant to RI State Laws 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel and PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation.

II. Executive Session

III. Call to Order – Public Session

IV. Roll Call / Quorum

V. Executive Session Minutes Sealed – November 20, 2006

VI. Minutes of Previous Meetings – October 11, 2006; October 16, 2006

VII. Public Acknowledgements / Communications

VIII. Chairperson Communications

IX. Superintendent Communications

X. School Committee Member Communications

XI. Public Hearing

a. Students (Agenda/Non-agenda Items)

b. Members of the Public (Agenda Matters Only)

XII. Consent Calendar / Consent Agenda

SPONSORED BY MR. LUPINO AND MRS. GREIFER

NO. 06-11-1 – Whereas, the Cranston School Committee recognizes its duty to provide to the students of Cranston, safe and environmentally safe buildings and grounds, and

Whereas, the Committee recently entered into an energy savings contract to realize energy savings to the district, and

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Whereas, in years past the Committee has been forced into reducing funds in the “asset protection” account due to budgetary constraints,

and

Whereas, the Committee realizes that this reduction may negatively impact the students and staff,

Be it RESOLVED that the Committee establish a recommended baseline in the “asset protection” account of \$_____, and

Be it further RESOLVED that the Committee recommend to Administration that ____% of the realized energy savings be added to the base amount in this account in subsequent years to assure that the physical needs of our buildings are being addressed with proper funding.

SPONSORED BY MRS. GREIFER AND MR. STYCOS

NO. 06-11-2 – Whereas, in recognition of its record of promoting healthy foods in its schools, the Cranston Public Schools recently received the Rhode Island Action for Healthy Kids’ Award of Honor from The Rhode Island Healthy Schools Coalition, and

Whereas, Vinny Confreda and Confreda Farms have been partners in the Cranston Public Schools healthy foods endeavors, providing farm fresh corn to the School Lunch Program for the last three years,

Be it RESOLVED that the Cranston School Committee commend Vinny Confreda and Confreda Farms for their generous commitment

to the students of the Cranston Public Schools, and

Be it further RESOLVED that they receive a copy of this Resolution signed by the members of the Cranston School Committee.

ADMINISTRATION

PERSONNEL

NO. 06-11-3 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of Assistant Principal, Cranston High School West, be approved.

NO. 06-11-4 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Nicolasa Jimenez General Subject Matter, K-12

Lisa Sylvia Physical Education, PK-12

Jennifer Storch General Subject Matter, K-12

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Adriana Fargiorgio Secondary English/Italian

Danielle Alger Elementary

Roy Choquette Health and Adaptive Physical Education

Ellen Holland Elementary, PK-2

Anne Pisaturo Elementary

Meg LoPresti Special Education, Elementary/Middle

Diane Goolgasian Secondary Business

Jennifer Lodge Elementary

Joyce Russell Elementary

Michael Giblin General Subject Matter, K-12

Elizabeth Broskie General Subject Matter, K-12

NO. 06-11-5 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Richard Grenier, English Teacher

Cranston High School West

Effective Date: October 20, 2006

NO. 06-11-6 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following individuals be reappointed as athletic coaches:

CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL EAST

Carl Bishop Boys' Head Indoor Track

Robert Bouchard Boys'/Girls' Head/Assistant Swimming

Lauren Brown Girls' Head Basketball

William Coughlin Boys' Assistant Basketball

Michael Crudale Boys' Assistant Indoor Track

Paul Giarrusso Boys' Assistant Wrestling

Robert LaBanca Girls' Head Indoor Track

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CRANSTON EAST (CONTINUED)

William Monigan Boys' Head Basketball

Chris Tribelli Boys' Head Wrestling

Robert Watts Boys' Head Basketball

CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL WEST

Matthew Cleason Boys' Head Wrestling
Jaime Ferretti Boys'/Girls' Head/Assistant Swimming
David Fontes Girls' Assistant Basketball
Carmine Goneconte Girls' Head Basketball
Kenneth Hopkins, Jr. Boys' Assistant Basketball
Sheila Lagasse Girls' Head Indoor Track
Gerard Marzilli Boys' Freshman Basketball
James Moretti Boys' Head Basketball
Craig Sacco Boys' Head Hockey

NO. 06-11-7 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following individual be appointed as an athletic coach:

Lisa Sylvia, Head Coach Girls' Hockey

Cranston High School East / Cranston High School West

Step – 2

Class - B

Playing Competition – Northeastern University

Experience – Assistant Coach, Rhode Island Panthers Hockey

Certification – Rhode Island Coaches Certification; CPR/AED/First Aid Certified

NO. 06-11-8 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following coaches be

accepted:

Gina Bailey, Assistant, Girls' Indoor Track

Cranston High School West

Effective Date: October 24, 2006

Jessica Greene, Assistant, Girls' Basketball

Cranston High School East

Effective Date: October 25, 2006

Joseph Splendorio, Freshman Boys' Basketball

Western Hills Middle School

Effective Date: October 30, 2006

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Michael Waterman, Head Girls' Basketball

Bain Middle School

Effective Date: November 1, 2006

Scott Maynard, Head Girls' Soccer

Cranston High School East

Effective Date: November 1, 2006

NO. 06-11-9 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the

Superintendent, the following non-certified employees be appointed:

Dora Villari, Child Outreach Paraprofessional

Special Services

Effective Date of Employment: October 27, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 14832031 519100

Pamela Schiff, Child Outreach Paraprofessional

Special Services

Effective Date of Employment: October 27, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 14832031 519100

Kayla Oden, Bus Monitor

Transportation

Effective Date of Employment: October 12, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 14347518 518600

Roberta Strezo, Mail Clerk

Human Resources

Effective Date of Employment: October 17, 2006

Authorization: New

Fiscal Note: 19643151 515100

Robert Salvagna, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: October 16, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 31347179 511000

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Lisa Pelino, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: October 16, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 33047179 511000

Barbara Guiot, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: October 24, 2006

Authorization: New

Fiscal Note: 32647179 511000

Frank Ruggieri, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: October 25, 2006

Authorization: New

Fiscal Note: 32347179 511000

Sheila Testa, Teacher Assistant

Orchard Farms School

Effective Date of Employment: November 8, 2006

Authorization: New

Fiscal Note: 13632032 519500

Karen Sepe, Teacher Assistant

Orchard Farms School

Effective Date of Employment: November 6, 2006

Authorization: New

Fiscal Note: 13632032 519500

Carol Corcelli, Instructor

Adult Education Program

Effective Date of Employment: November 1, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 16278712 512100

Deborah Rushworth, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: November 1, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 32447179 511000

Deborah Zellar, Teacher Assistant

Cranston High School East

Effective Date of Employment: November 10, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 11332032 519500

NO. 06-11-10 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

SECRETARY

Betty Costantino

BUS DRIVERS

David Panarello

Lillian Ferrante

NO. 06-11-11 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Marie R. Accetturo, Teacher Assistant

Hope Highlands School

Effective Date: December 29, 2006

NO. 06-11-12 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Diane Scivola, Secretary

Hope Highlands School

Effective Date: November 9, 2006

Debra Caruso, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date of Employment: October 18, 2006

Authorization: Replacement

Fiscal Note: 31347179 511000

NO. 06-11-13 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of Employee A be accepted.

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GRANTS

NO. 06-11-14 - RESOLVED, that the Cranston Public Schools submit

the following grants

To Target Stores:

**Cranston High School East Science Classes (2) Field Trips to
Boston Museum of Science \$1,000.00**

**Cranston Area Career & Technical Center Graphic
Communications Program Field Trip \$1,000.00**

**Cranston Area Career & Technical Center Marketing
Program Field Trip \$1,000.00**

**Cranston Area Career & Technical Center Early Childhood
Program and Preschool – Learning to Make a Difference Field
Trip \$1,000.00**

**Cranston High School East Band Program Competition
Trips \$1,000.00**

To the Rhode Island State Legislature

Oak Lawn School \$ 500.00

Glen Hills School \$1,000.00

Western Hills Middle School \$2,500.00

Woodridge School \$1,500.00

Cranston High School East Band \$ 500.00

To Best Buy Stores

Stone Hill School – “No Child Left Bored” \$2,500.00

**Cranston High School West – Industrial Technology
Department \$2,495.00**

To the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics

All Cranston Public Schools’ Elementary Schools \$ 4,000.00

To the Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism

**Cranston Public Schools’ Early Childhood Center and \$19,987.00
all elementary schools servicing students diagnosed on
the Autism Spectrum**

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To Teaching Tolerance

Stone Hill School – “Family Under One Sky” \$ 2,500.00

To Hamburger Helper

Cranston High School West – Building Visual Perspectives \$10,000.00

Cranston High School West – Beautifying Meshanticut Lake \$15,000.00

Park View Middle School – Porta-Tech \$15,000.00

Cranston Area Career & Technical Center – School-to-Career Transport \$15,000.00

Cranston Early Childhood Center – Handicapable Playground for Children with Autism \$15,000.00

Cranston High School East Band Uniforms – Oh, I Want To Be in That Number \$15,000.00

Cranston High School West – Cabot Civic/Community \$11,260.21

To CVS Trust for Students with Disabilities

Special Education Parents Advisory Board \$ 5,000.00

Early Childhood Center Playground \$ 5,000.00

BUSINESS

NO. 06-11-15 - RESOLVED, that the First Budget Revision be approved as recommended by the Superintendent.

NO. 06-11-16 - RESOLVED, that the following purchases be approved:

Sousaphones for Cranston West in the amount of \$5,120.00

Number of bids issued 13

Number of bids received 5

Bathroom Partitions in the amount of \$14,200.00

Number of bids issued 6

Number of bids received 3

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Fencing for Stone Hill in the amount of \$4,750.00

Number of bids issued 12

Number of bids received 4

Box Truck in the amount of \$24,741

Number of bids issued 11

Number of bids received 5

NO. 06-11-17 - RESOLVED, the following purchases be approved (Fund 3 – School Food Service):

School Food Authority Inspection in the amount of \$11,954 (08/09) amended from Resolution No. 06-10-19 to include the final year of the bid inadvertently removed from the original resolution.

Number of bids issued 4

Number of bids received 3

POLICY AND PROGRAM

NO. 06-11-18 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following Conferences/Field Trips of Long Duration be authorized:

Christine Harrington, music teacher at Western Hills Middle School, to travel to Detroit, Michigan, to attend the American String Teachers' Association National Conference from March 7 through March 10, 2007.

Karen Verrengia, Energy Manager for the Cranston Public Schools, to travel to Austin, Texas, for a Winter 2007 Seminar (which is an Energy Education, Inc. requirement) from January 22, 2007 to January 24,

2007.

Richard W. Lepore, music teacher at Cranston High School East, and approximately seventy-four students to travel to New York City to do a music tour of the city with impromptu concerts, Broadway plays, etc. from March 30, 2007 to April 1, 2007.

XIII. Action Calendar / Action Agenda

XIV. New Business

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XV. Public Hearing on Non-agenda Items

XVI. Announcement of Future Meetings

XVII. Adjournment

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Notice Posted: November 15, 2006