

# **CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2007**

**WESTERN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**400 PHENIX AVENUE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5:30 P.M.**

**PUBLIC SESSION: 7:00 P.M.**

## **AGENDA**

**I. Call to Order – 5:30 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 – January 31, 2007 and February 12, 2007**

**VI. Minutes of Previous Meetings Approved – January 1, 2007; January 9, 2007; January 22, 2007**

**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 THE COMMITTEE**

**NO. 07-2-1 - Whereas, Chrissy Darwell did an outstanding job as a member of the Cranston High School West Girls' Soccer team during the 2006 fall sports' season, and**

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**Whereas, termed a true team player by her coach, Chrissy was a starter at Cranston High School West all four years playing midfield**

**or striker depending where her team needed her most, and**

**Whereas, through her continued hard work, endless preparation, and dedication throughout her entire four-year career at Cranston High School West, Chrissy tallied 16 goals and had 20 assists to lead her team to a school-best record of 20-1-1, and**

**Whereas, because of her outstanding personal accomplishments throughout the girls' soccer season, Chrissy has been recognized as a 2006 Providence Journal First Team All State selection,**

**Be it RESOLVED that Chrissy Darwell be congratulated by the Cranston School Committee for her hard work and dedication to the sport of Soccer, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that she be presented with a copy of this Resolution signed by the members of this committee.**

**NO. 07-2-2 - Whereas, Jonathyn Pirolli did an outstanding job as a member of the Cranston High School East Football team during the 2006 fall sports' season, and**

**Whereas, after being named the Division II Super Bowl game MVP in his junior year, and as a senior co-captain, he helped lead a young Cranston High School East team to a birth in the semifinal round of the Division II playoffs, and**

**Whereas, through his continued hard work, endless preparation, and dedication throughout his entire four-year career at Cranston High School East, Jonathyn rushed for over 2,500 yards, had over 750 receiving yards, scored 35 touchdowns and during his senior season alone accounted for 75 tackles, had 2 pass interceptions and 4 quarterback sacks, and**

**Whereas, because of his outstanding personal accomplishments throughout the entire football season, Jonathyn has been recognized as a 2006 Providence Journal First Team All State selection,**

**Be it RESOLVED that Jonathyn Pirolli be congratulated by the Cranston School Committee for his hard work and dedication to the sport of Football, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that he be presented with a copy of this Resolution signed by the members of this committee.**

**NO. 07-2-3 - Whereas, talented art students in grades 7 through 12 in middle, junior and senior high schools of Rhode Island had an opportunity to win recognition for themselves and their school by participating in The Scholastic Art Awards of 2007, and**

**Whereas, this competition is sponsored regionally by Fidelity Investments and Pawtucket Credit Union, in cooperation with the Rhode Island Art Education Association and Rhode Island College and conducted nationally by The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, and**

**Whereas, approximately 125 Silver Keys have been awarded for outstanding work on the regional level and 75 Gold Key finalists have been selected and will be forwarded to New York City for the national competition where they will compete with finalists from over sixty other regions across the United States, and**

**Whereas, five entries have been selected as the outstanding entries to be given the American Vision Award of \$100, and Paul Ricamo, a twelfth grade student at Cranston West, is one of the recipients. This is the ninth year that such a distinction has been bestowed upon a student in the Cranston Public Schools, and**

**Whereas, students in Cranston Public Schools earned sixteen Gold Key Awards, twenty-six Silver Key Awards, two Fine Arts Portfolio Nominations, one Photography Portfolio Nomination and an American Vision Award,**

**Be it RESOLVED that these talented artists be recognized by the Cranston School Committee for their outstanding accomplishments, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that they be presented with a copy of this Resolution signed by the members of the Cranston School Committee.**

**CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL EAST**

**Tyler Baum Gold Key Sculpture**

**Joshua Burgoyne Silver Key Drawing**

**Caitlin Cannon Silver Key Drawing**

**Leonardo DeLuzio Silver Key Drawing**

**Brandon Kirk Silver Key Mixed Media**

**Kayla Pelletier Fine Arts Portfolio Nominee**

**Kayla Pelletier Silver Key Painting**

**Didler Jean Philippe Silver Key Drawing**

**Xena Pope Silver Key Mixed Media**

**Michelle Weber Gold Key Drawing**

**CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL WEST**

**Colette Bazirgan Fine Arts Portfolio Nominee**

**Colette Bazirgan Silver Key Drawing**

**Candice Bousquet Gold Key Drawing**

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**Talya Forleo Gold Key Sculpture**

**Natalia Gemma Silver Key Printmaking**

## **CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL WEST CONTINUED**

**Adrienne Gerard Gold Key Mixed Media**

**Joelle Harrington Silver Key Painting**

**Samuel Kashuk Photography Portfolio Nominee**

**Kaitlin Malloy Gold Key Painting**

**Stefani McMillan Silver Key Drawing**

**Paul Ricamo Gold Key Painting American Vision Award**

**Alicia Torres Silver Key Drawing**

## **BAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Brittany Lyons Silver Key Design: Product**

## **PARK VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Harvest Allen Silver Key Painting**

**Nestor Caicedo Gold Key Painting**

**Michael Gabriel Silver Key Drawing**

**Rebecca Rose Silver Key Drawing**

**Narine Hagopian Silver Key Mixed Media**

**Kai Kumalai Silver Key Painting**

**Ryan Lariviere Silver Key Painting**

**Sara Moore Silver Key Printmaking**

**Jillian Proulx Gold Key Printmaking**

**Hunter Stone Gold Key Mixed Media**

## **WESTERN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Tressa Cannata Silver Key Painting**

**Nicole Conti Gold Key Mixed Media**

**Michelle Dodd Silver Key Painting**

**Dylan Farley Gold Key Painting**

**Kaitlin Goff Silver Key Drawing**

**Arthur Hagopian Silver Key Mixed Media**

**Xavier Hardun Gold Key Printmaking**

**Megan Levesque Gold Key Design: Installation/Environment**

**Ryan Rappoport Silver Key Painting**

**Tyler Rocha Silver Key Mixed Media**

**Pasha Sadikov Gold Key Design: Plans and Models**

**SPONSORED BY MR. LOMBARDI**

**NO. 07-2-4 - Whereas, four members of Boy Scout Troop 9 in Cranston have attained the rank of Eagle Scout, and**

**Whereas, these four fine young men are Aaron McDonald, a senior at Cranston High School East, who built bat houses and laced them in trees at Fay Field to help reduce mosquitoes in**

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**the area which helped to decrease the incidence of West Nile virus and Eastern equine encephalitis spread by mosquitoes; Conor Caldwell, a 2006 graduate of Cranston High School East and a freshman at Northeastern University, who, with the help of the**

**Cranston Police Department, held a fingerprinting and data-base collection program at Trinity Church; Ned Crowley, a 2006 graduate of Cranston High School East and a freshman at Brandeis University, who cleaned up and restored a portion of the West Bay Bike Path that runs through Cranston; Sean McCormick, a 2006 graduate of Cranston High School East and a student at the Community College of Rhode Island, who marked the sewer drainage inlets in Edgewood by spraying-painting fish on them as a way of alerting people to the fact that any debris that is put into the sewers will drain into Narragansett Bay,**

**Be it RESOLVED that Aaron McDonald, Conor Caldwell, Ned Crowley, and Sean McCormick be congratulated by the Cranston School Committee for attaining this exemplary achievement, and**

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

**SPONSORED BY MR. LOMBARDI AND MRS. GREIFER**

**NO. 07-2-5 - Whereas, the Cranston Citywide Spelling Bee was held on January 24, 2007 at Hugh B. Bain Middle School, and**

**Whereas, Zachary Sailer, a grade 5 student at Waterman School is the City winner and Helen Ianni, a grade 6 student at Park View Middle School is the City runner-up winner, and**

**Whereas, Zachary will represent the Cranston Public Schools at the Statewide Spelling Bee sponsored by The Valley Breeze on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at the Lincoln Middle School,**

**Be it RESOLVED, that the Cranston School Committee congratulate both Zachary and Helen, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED, that the Cranston School Committee convey their best wishes to Zachary Sailer as he competes in the Statewide Spelling Bee, and**

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

**SPONSORED BY MRS. GREIFER**

**NO. 07-2-6 – RESOLVED, that the Cranston School Committee create a Policy Review Committee, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that the purpose of this committee shall be to examine the School Committee's policies and recommend deletions or modifications, and**

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**Be it further RESOLVED, that the members of this committee shall be the School Committee Chairman (or his designee) and the**

**Superintendent (or his designee), and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that the recommendations of this committee shall be presented to the School Committee at its monthly work sessions beginning March 2007 and ending when all current policies have been reviewed.**

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **PERSONNEL**

**NO. 07-2-7 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:**

**Christopher Belluzzi Physical Education/Adaptive  
Physical Education**

**Johnna Coupe Elementary/Middle Special Education**

**Edward Kostka Secondary History**

**Paul Masi General Subject Matter**

**Joan DeSantis General Subject Matter**

**Julio Andrade Elementary**

**Kyle Benchsky Physical Education**

**Danielle Charest Elementary**

**Julie Dodd Elementary**

**Joshua Procaccianti Physical Education/Adaptive  
Physical Education**

**Erin McGinnis Art, PK-12**

**Barbi-Ann Burdick Elementary**

**Sara Roch Elementary**

**Michael Branca Physical Education, PK-12**

**Joy Lyttle Elementary/Early Childhood**

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**NO. 07-2-8 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified staff member be granted a leave of absence without compensation as provided in Article XIX, Section B of the Master Agreement between the Cranston School Committee and the Cranston Teachers' Alliance:**

**Mary-Ellen Russell, Teacher**

**Elementary**

**Effective Dates: September 2007 to September 2008**

**NO. 07-2-9 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following certified personnel be accepted:**

**Kathryn Flinn, Teacher**

**Hope Highlands School**

**Effective Date: June 30, 2007**

**NO. 07-2-10 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following individual be reappointed as an athletic coach:**

**CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL EAST**

**Andrew Marcaccio Head Boys' Freshman Baseball**

**NO. 07-2-11 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following individuals be appointed as athletic coaches:**

**Jason Hogan, Assistant Boys' Outdoor Track, Cranston High School West**

**Step – 3**

**Class – D**

**Playing Competition – High School**

**Experience – Cranston West Freshman Football Coach**

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

**Robert Malo, Head Baseball, Cranston High School West**

**Step – 7**

**Class – B**

**Playing Competition – High School**

**Experience – Cranston West Freshman Baseball**

**Certification - Rhode Island Coaches Certification; CPR/AED/First Aid Certified**

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**Corey Capirchio, Assistant Baseball, Cranston High School West**

**Step – 4**

**Class – C**

**Playing Competition – Cranston High School West**

**Experience – Cranston High School West Girls' Softball**

**Certification - Rhode Island Coaches Certification; CPR/AED/First Aid Certified**

**Roger Tow, Head Boys' Volleyball, Cranston High School West**

**Step – 7**

**Class – B**

**Playing Experience – West Warwick**

**Experience – Head Coach Scituate High School**

**Certification - Rhode Island Coaches Certification; CPR/AED/First Aid Certified**

**NO. 07-2-12 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following coaches be accepted:**

**Paul Ouellet, Assistant Boys' Outdoor Track  
Cranston High School West  
Effective Date: January 5, 2007**

**Ronald LaRocca, Assistant Boys' Baseball  
Cranston High School West  
Effective Date: January 7, 2007**

**Ronald Lee, Head Boys' Volleyball  
Cranston High School East  
Effective Date: January 18, 2007**

**Robert LaBanca, Head Girls' Outdoor Track  
Cranston High School East  
Effective Date: January 17, 2007**

**Brian Flinn, Assistant Girls' Softball**

**Cranston High School East**

**Effective Date: January 14, 2007**

**Robert J. Malo, Head Freshman Baseball**

**Cranston High School West**

**Effective Date: January 25, 2007**

**Carl Bishop, Head Boys' Indoor and Outdoor Track**

**Cranston High School East**

**Effective Date: January 30, 2007**

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**NO. 07-2-13 - Whereas, there may be more qualified individuals who will apply for current positions, and**

**Whereas, certain positions became available after the teacher selection of July 26, 2006 and more senior teachers may elect to occupy these positions under Article XVI of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and**

**Whereas, funding for certain positions is not assured for the 2007-2008 school year, and as a result, more senior teachers could elect to take a current position, and**

**Whereas, positions occupied by retirees must be posted each year, and**

**Whereas, there may be changes in student distribution, and as a result, more senior teachers may take a current position, and**

**Whereas, positions must now be made available for more senior teachers who are scheduled to return from leave, and**

**Whereas, because of these concerns, and in accordance with Title 16 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, the Superintendent has recommended that the employment of certain teachers be terminated at the end of the 2006-2007 school year, and**

**Whereas, the Superintendent has sent prior notice to said teachers informing them of the specific reasons for their termination, and**

**Whereas, the Committee has provided said teachers with the opportunity to be heard in Executive Session regarding their termination,**

**Be it RESOLVED that said teachers be terminated at the close of the school year under provisions of Title 16 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, and**

**Be it further RESOLVED that the Superintendent notify those teachers of the Committee's action to terminate their employment.**

**NO. 07-2-14 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified employees be appointed:**

**Lori Desrosiers, Teacher Assistant**

**Hope Highlands School**

**Effective Date of Employment – January 22, 2007**

**Authorization – Replacement**

**Fiscal Note: 13411019 519100**

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**Phillip Barden, EMT Instructor**

**Alternate Education Program**

**Effective Date of Employment – February 12, 2007**

**Authorization – Replacement**

**Fiscal Note: 51362142 512100**

**Crystal Iacobucci, Teacher Assistant**

**Stadium School**

**Effective Date of Employment – January 29, 2007**

**Authorization – New**

**Fiscal Note: 12032032 519500**

**Terry Phelps, Teacher Assistant**

**Dutemple School**

**Effective Date of Employment: - February 5, 2007**

**Authorization – New**

**Fiscal Note: 11632032 519500**

**Beth Iannelli, Teacher Assistant**

**Dutemple School**

**Effective Date of Employment – February 5, 2007**

**Authorization – New**

**Fiscal Note: 11632032 519500**

**NO. 07-2-15 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:**

**TEACHER ASSISTANTS**

**Suzanne Plumley**

**Lauren Marie Cherry**

**NO. 07-2-16 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of non-certified Employee A be accepted.**

**NO. 07-2-17 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of non-certified Employee B be accepted.**

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**BUSINESS**

**NO. 07-2-18 - RESOLVED, that the 2007-2008 Capital Budget, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.**

**CAPITAL BUDGET 2007-2008**

**BOND 00 - 40**

**Completion of Cranston High School East    \$3,287,000**

**BOND 04 - 25**

**Western Hills Middle School – Replace Lockers    \$ 250,000**

**BOND 04 - 25**

**Cranston High School West – Replace Roof on B & D Wing \$  
619,740**

**Norwood Avenue School – Replace Roof    \$ 130,000**

**BOND 04 - 25**

**Gladstone School - Sprinklers     \$ 960,000**

**Waterman School - Sprinklers     \$ 350,000**

**\$5,596,740**

**No. 07-2-19 - RESOLVED, that the 2007-2008 Operating Budget, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.**

**NO. 07-2-20 - RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:**

**Floor Scrubbers in the amount of \$5,518 each.**

**Number of bids issued 7**

**Number of bids received 4**

#### **POLICY AND PROGRAM**

**NO. 07-2-21 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following Conferences and/or Field Trips of Long Duration be authorized:**

**M. Richard Scherza, Superintendent of Schools, to travel to New Orleans, Louisiana to attend the AASA National Conference on Education from February 27, 2007 to March 3, 2007.**

**Ann Marie Clarkson, teacher of the deaf at Edgewood Highland School, to travel to Washington, DC to attend a “Close Up” program in Washington, DC from March 4, 2007 to March 10, 2007.**

**Lynda C. Wagner, Assistant Principal at Cranston High School East, to travel to Boston Park Plaza in Boston, Massachusetts to attend the “North East Regional Conference on Social Studies” from March 13, 2007 to March 15, 2007.**

**Gayle S. Dzekevich, Assistant Director of the Alternate Education Program, to travel to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to attend the COABE (Commission on Adult Basic Education) National Conference 2007 from March 26, 2007 to March 28, 2007.**

**Norma Cole, Principal of Western Hills Middle School, to travel to Seattle, Washington to attend the NAESP National Conference from March 29, 2007 to April 2, 2007.**

**Michele Simpson, Director of Early Childhood, to travel to San Diego, California to attend the LRP’s National Institute from April 22, 2007 to April 25, 2007.**

**Dolores F. Smith, Literacy teacher at Cranston High School East/West, to travel to Toronto, Canada to attend the International Reading Association Annual Conference from May 14, 2007 to May 17, 2007.**

**CSM, USA (Ret.) John Ryan, JROTC at Cranston High School East, and approximately fifteen students, to travel to Prince George's County Sports & Learning Complex in Landover, Maryland to participate in the 2007 US Army National Regional Drill Competition from March 22, 2007 to March 25, 2007.**

**NO. 07-2-22 – Whereas, the Cranston School Committee adopted the Basic Management Principles and Ethical School Standards on November 14, 1969 and amended this policy on August 15, 2005, and**

**Whereas, the current Cranston School Committee wishes to uphold these same principles and ethical school standards,**

**Be it RESOLVED that the Cranston School Committee reaffirms Policy No. 8251 (a) and (b) and continues to uphold the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, Title 16, 16-2-9.1 relating to the Internal Committee Operations, Code of Basic Management Principles and Ethical School Standards.**

**NO. 07-2-23 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the**

**Superintendent, policy No. 1330, Use of School Facilities, as amended, be approved for first reading.**

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**NO. 07-2-24 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, policy No. 4112.6, Volunteer Coaching/Extracurricular Positions, be approved for first reading.**

**XIII. Action Calendar / Action Agenda**

**XIV. New Business**

**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 Chairman in advance.**

**Notice Posted: February 8, 2007**

**Community Relations      1330(a)**

**Use of School Facilities**

**PURPOSE:**

**The purpose of this policy shall be to establish regulatory guidelines and general expectations for the use of school facilities (buildings and / or grounds) outside of those uses directly related to the normal educational programs.**

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

**The Cranston School Committee believes that the public schools**

should be considered as community schools, and is therefore committed to the concept of making Cranston School facilities available for use outside normal educational programs. While school facilities are owned by the public and paid for by tax dollars, the general public should not be considered as having an obligation to fund extra costs for private or for-profit groups use of facilities. It is for this reason that the School Committee feels it reasonable to expect groups authorized to use facilities to pay all related personnel costs as well as minimal costs so incurred for said use of buildings and/or grounds. The Committee further recognizes, however, that there are certain instances wherein the cost for use of school facilities should be borne by the School District.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

##### **1. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM:**

An educational program shall be considered as any activity sponsored by the Cranston Public Schools, which takes its base in the educational offerings of the School Committee as provided for within its operating budget.

##### **2. CIVIC / RECREATIONAL PROGRAM:**

A civic / recreational program shall be any activity sponsored by the Mayor's office, City council and / or the City's Department of Recreation.

### **3. COMMUNITY GROUPS:**

**A community group shall be considered as a formally organized non-profit or for profit group of persons wherein the majority of its members are residents of the City of Cranston and whose base of operation is located in Cranston.**

### **4. NON-RESIDENT GROUPS:**

**A non-resident group shall be considered as a formally organized non-profit or for profit group wherein the majority of its members are not residents of the City of Cranston.**

**Use of School Facilities (Continued) 1330(b)**

### **RENTAL COSTS**

**Rental costs for facility use shall be considered as those expenses incurred above and beyond the fulfillment of the educational, civic or recreational mission. These costs are specifically detailed in the rental fee schedule.**

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**1. Facility use(s) not requiring payment of the established rental charge include:**

**A. Educational Activities sponsored by the Cranston Public School Department.**

**B. Civic activities sponsored by the Mayor's Office, and / or City Council.**

**C. Recreational events sponsored and supervised by the City of Cranston Parks and Recreation Department.**

**D. Parent and / or Teacher organizational or advisory committee meetings.**

**2. Other Educational, Civic or Recreational activities or services provided throughout the school year will be conducted through an annual contract setting forth all rental fees, conditions and requirements for school facility uses.**

## **PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING SCHOOL FACILITY USAGE**

**1. The Superintendent or designee shall have the responsibility of authorizing all requests for the use of school buildings and / or grounds.**

**2. All requests for facility use should be filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of desired use and made directly with the Plant Operations Office. Said request shall include the filing of an official application as provided by the School District and Safety Service**

**Departments. (see sample).**

## **CONDITIONS OF RENTAL USE**

**In recognition of the regulations governing school buildings and / or grounds, certain rules and regulations, which might not apply to other public facilities, must be enforced on school property. For this reason, use of school facilities, which takes its authorization from this policy must comply with the following expectations:**

- 1. A 50% deposit toward rental fees shall be made at least five (5) days prior to the use of any facility, check make payable to Cranston Public Schools.**
- 2. A certificate of insurance of \$1,000,000 liability in the name of Cranston Public Schools must be delivered to the Plant Operations Office five (5) days before rental date.**

**Use of School Facilities (Continued) 1330(c)**

**Conditions of Rental Use (Continued)**

- 3. No organization is to enter the school building until a custodian or**

**other authorized person arrives and the adult responsible for the program is present to take charge of the group.**

**4. Elected city, state and federal officials may use school buildings for public forums on the same night as other meetings are being conducted at no usage cost. Such meetings will not be allowed for partisan political purposes or ninety (90) days prior to state, national or special elections.**

**5. If it is determined that a firefighter or police detail is required, the organization is responsible for payment.**

## **TYPES OF ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED**

**A. Those that promulgate the overthrow of the United States or any political**

**subdivision thereof advocating governmental change by violence.**

**B. Any activity that violates the canons of good morals, manners or taste and**

**contravenes the licensing requirements set forth in the Code of the City of**

**Cranston Sections 16A-4 and 16A-5, or those activities that would be**

**injurious to school buildings, grounds, or equipment.**

**C. The distribution of commercial advertising materials and political advertising materials more specifically defined in RIGL Section**

**16-38-6**

**and School Committee Policy 1112.1, respectively, shall be prohibited**

**unless a part of course materials being academically presented as part of the school curriculum.**

**D. Any activity in conflict with regularly scheduled school activities.**

**E. Fund-raising campaigns except as permitted by School Committee policy or special action of the Committee.**

## **RENTAL FEES**

**1. Fees will be established each year based upon custodial hourly rate and facility rental fees.**

**2. All conditions set forth by the Cranston School Committee to include:**

**A. No Smoking is permitted in any part of school facilities and grounds.**

**B. Liquor or drugs are prohibited on school premises.**

**C. Audience control is the responsibility of the organization using the facility.**

**D. Activities or services are limited to those areas specified in the official application.**

**E. Organizations are required to leave the school premises in the same condition as they were found.**

**F. A Cranston School Lab Technician will be present during usage of any school computer laboratory. Furthermore, the lab technician's hourly rate will be included in the rental fee.**

**Use of School Facilities (Continued) 1330(d)**

**Rental Fees (Continued)**

**G. Utilization of auditorium equipment will require the presence of a school employed technician whose hourly rate will be included in the rental fee.**

**H. Civic / Recreation sponsored, School Department sponsored and Non-Profit Community organizations shall not be charged facility use fees as prescribed in this policy.**

## **USER FEES**

**The following fees are established for use of facilities. These fees are in addition to the custodial hourly rate fees and / or technician fees.**

**A. FACILITY (Minimum of 3 hours)**

**Classrooms \$10 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Gymnasium \$35 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Cafeteria \$20 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Auditorium \$200 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Computer Lab \$20 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Pool Facilities \$25 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Outdoor / Grounds \$15 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Auditorium Technician \$20 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

**Computer Lab Technician \$28 per hour & Custodial Hourly Rate**

## **CONDITIONS AND APPEAL PROCESS**

- 1. The Director of the School Facilities will determine whether or not a group meets the guidelines established by the Cranston School Committee.**
- 2. The Director of the School Facilities will determine the appropriate time that any group might use the school facilities.**
- 3. The Director of School Facilities will be responsible to insure that no school sponsored activities are interfered with regarding scheduling conflicts.**

**Use of School Facilities (Continued) 1330(e)**

**Conditions and Appeal Process (Continued)**

**4. Any decision of the Director of School Facilities to deny school facility use may**

**first be appealed to the Superintendent of Cranston Public Schools and then to the Cranston School Committee.**

**5. Under conditions and appeal process the School Committee reserves the right to**

**revoke any such permit, without liability, should such action be deemed necessary or desirable.**

**Policy Amended: February 10, 1997 CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
(Resolution No. 97-2-30) CRANSTON, RI**

**Policy Amended:**

**(Resolution No.**

**Regulations Repealed:**

**(Resolution No.**

**Personnel 4112.6**

### **Volunteer Policy - Coaching/Extracurricular Positions**

**1) A volunteer will submit a brief application which will include, an Employment Eligibility Verification Form, physician certification stating that the volunteer is immunized and free of communicable disease, and a BCI.**

**The requirements for a volunteer coach will be the following:**

- . Rhode Island Department of Education Coaches' Certification**
- . Current First Aid/CPR/AED certification**
- . Proof of passing Rhode Island Interscholastic League Coaching**

**course**

**2) All volunteers will be appointed by the Superintendent to the School**

**Committee. The volunteer is subject to yearly reappointment.**

**3) The Superintendent can recommend the removal of a volunteer at anytime for any reason. The volunteer coach acknowledges that he or she is appointed at will and is subject to removal at any time for no cause at the recommendation of the Superintendent. The acknowledgement form will be signed by the volunteer.**

**4) The number of volunteer coaches will be limited by classification as stated in Appendix D of the Master Agreement between the Cranston Teachers' Alliance and the Cranston School Committee.**

**Classification    Number of Volunteers**

**A            7**

**B            3**

**D            1**

**5) The following are requirements of a volunteer:**

- . Shall be provided direction by paid coach/director.**

- . Will not be responsible for overseeing practices/games/performances.**
- . Will not transport students to practices or games/performances.**
- . Athletic volunteers will not overtly or covertly recruit student athletes.**

**This policy will become effective August 1, 2007.**

**Policy Adopted: CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Resolution No.: CRANSTON, RI**

**8251(a)**

### **Internal Committee Operations**

### **Code of Basic Management Principles and Ethical School Standards**

**The Cranston Public Schools does hereby establish a code of basic principles and ethical standards for Cranston School Committee members acting individually and collectively as boards of education in the management of the public schools of Cranston.**

**The School Committee in Cranston accepts the obligation to operate the public schools in accordance with the fundamental principles and standards of school management, which principles include but are**

**not limited to the following:**

**1. Formulate written policy for the administration of schools to be reviewed regularly and revised as necessary.**

**2. Exercise legislative, policy-making, planning and appraising functions and delegate administrative functions in the operation of schools.**

**3. Recognize their critical responsibility for selecting the superintendent, defining his or her responsibilities, and evaluating his or her performance regularly without directly engaging in administrative processes.**

**4. Accept and encourage a variety of opinions from and communication with all parts of the community.**

**5. Make public relevant institutional information in order to promote communication and understanding between the school system and the community.**

**6. Act on legislative and policy-making matters only after examining pertinent facts and considering the superintendent's recommendations.**

**7. Conduct meetings with planned and published agendas.**

**8. Encourage and promote professional growth of school staff so that quality of instruction and support services may continually be improved.**

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**9. Establish and maintain procedural steps for resolving complaints and criticisms of school affairs.**

**10. Act only through public meetings since individual board members have no authority to bind the board.**

**11. Recognize that the first and greatest concern must be the educational welfare of the students attending the public schools.**

**12. Work with other committee members to establish effective board policies and to delegate authority for the administration of the schools to the superintendent.**

**13. Avoid being placed in a position of conflict of interest, and refrain from using the committee position for personal gain.**

**14. Attend all regularly scheduled committee meetings as possible, and become informed concerning the issues to be considered at those meetings.**

**Legal Reference: General Laws RI, 1956, Title 16 – 16-2-9.1 – Code of basic management principles and ethical school standards.**

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