

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2009

WESTERN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

400 PHENIX AVENUE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5:30 P.M.

PUBLIC MEETING: 6:30 P.M.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION: 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

I. Call to order – 5:30 p.m. – Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel; PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining/Litigation (Caruolo Action; Negotiations' Update; UBIO, Inc. vs. Cranston School Committee); PL 42-46-5(a)(4)

II. Executive Session

III. Call to Order – Public Session

IV. Roll Call – Quorum

V. Executive Session Minutes Sealed – February 2, 2009

VI. Minutes of Previous Meetings Approved: January 5, 2009; January 12, 2009.

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

ADMINISTRATION/PERSONNEL:

NO. 09-1-16 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement of the following non-certified employee(s) be accepted:

Mary Ann Ambrifi, Chief Secretary

Cranston High School West

Effective Date: 1/30/09

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NO. 09-2-1 – WHEREAS, the 2009-2010 budget proposed by the

Superintendent calls for the elimination of the EPIC program;

WHEREAS the Cranston School Committee strongly supports EPIC and wishes to continue the program;

BE IT RESOLVED, that a subcommittee be formed to investigate alternate funding for the EPIC program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this subcommittee shall consist of two members of the School Committee and two parent representatives from EPIC appointed by the Chairman of the School Committee, a parent representative from the CEAB appointed by the president of the CEAB, an EPIC instructor appointed by the President of the CTA, and a Central Administrator appointed by the Superintendent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this subcommittee shall report back to the School Committee at the April work session.

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NO. 09-2-2 – WHEREAS, the 2009-2010 budget proposed by the Superintendent calls for the elimination of middle school sports;

WHEREAS, the Cranston School Committee strongly supports middle school sports and does not wish to eliminate the program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a subcommittee be formed to investigate alternate funding for middle school sports;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this subcommittee shall consist of two members of the School Committee and two parent representatives appointed by the Chairman of the School Committee, a parent representative from the CEAB appointed by the President of the CEAB, the Athletic Director or his designee, and a Central Administrator appointed by the Superintendent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this subcommittee shall report back to the School Committee at the April work session.

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NO. 09-2-3 – BE IT RESOLVED, to establish a subcommittee evaluate the possibility of outsourcing our food service program in the Cranston School Department. This subcommittee will consist of two members from the Cranston School Committee appointed by the chairperson, two parents, one representing the eastern side of the city and one representing the western side of the city appointed by the CEAB (Cranston Educational Advisory Board), the Superintendent, and/or Assistant Superintendent, the Director of Food Service, and the Director of Finance for the Cranston School Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this subcommittee will report its findings at the School Committee meeting on March 16, 2009.

BUSINESS:

NO. 09-1-17 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Cranston School Committee approve and sign the revised stipulated order in the UBIO, Inc. versus City of Cranston and Cranston School Committee, Rhode Island Supreme Court Case No. 03-4858 regarding the payment of \$266,982.00 to the City of Cranston for past due real estate taxes from the calendar year 2003 to the present, and for future taxes until the expiration of the present lease between UBIO, Inc. and the Cranston School Committee.

TABLED RESOLUTION:

NO. 09-1-2 – RESOLVED, that effective February 1, 2009, the Cranston Public Schools will charge non-free or reduced eligible students \$1.00 per meal for breakfast in all non-Title 1 schools. The school administration will also work to have school affiliated organizations, such as PTO's and extracurricular activity groups, operate school breakfast programs in schools with low participation. Such organizations will work with the school food service director to comply with all government laws and regulations and shall receive any income from the breakfast sales in that school, after the school

food service program has been reimbursed for its costs. If a school affiliated organization is chosen to operate a school breakfast program, the School Committee will be notified.

XIII. Action Calendar/Action Agenda

XIV. New Business

XV. Public Hearing on Non-agenda Items

XVI. Adjourn to Public Work Session

**1. School Committee Policy No. 5141.32,
Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying/Teen Dating Violence**

**2. School Committee Policy No. 5141.22, 5141.22(a)
Peanut and Tree Nut Allergy Policy and
Suggested School Protocol**

3. 2009-2010 Proposed Budget

XVII. Announcement of Future Meeting Dates

XVIII. Adjourn Public Work Session

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting

are asked to notify the Chairman in advance.

Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's web site at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' administration building, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

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