

**THE NORTH HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
5 LINSLEY STREET
NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

MINUTES

Date: May 17, 2011

Attendance at this REGULAR Meeting: Sandra Cummings, Stephen DiCapua, Bert Mozealous, Alicia Clapp, Carole Franceschet, Anita Anderson, Wesley O'Brien, Bryan Bogen, Patricia K. Brozek, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Robert D. Cronin, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Hogan was not in attendance.

7:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of April 14, 2011

Motion: to approve the Minutes of April 14, 2011

Approved

MOVED: Bert Mozealous
SECOND: Carole Franceschet
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

2. Budgets:

- a. 2010-2011 Budget
- b. State and Federal Funds
- c. Extra-Curricular Activities

Moved: to accept budget reports and place them on file

Approved

MOVED: Carole Franceschet
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

3. Report of Standing Committees

a. Finance and Operations

1. Approval of Healthy Food Certificate (see attached)

Moved: to approve the Healthy Food Certificate

Approved

MOVED: Stephen DiCapua
SECOND: Anita Anderson
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

2. Approval of the new bus bid

Moved: to reject any further transportation contract with the Winkle Bus Company after the end of the current transportation contract, which terminates July 31, 2011

Approved

MOVED: Stephen DiCapua
SECOND: Alicia Clapp
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

Moved: to accept the transportation bid of M & J Bus Company, for a three year period, for all regular and special education transportation

Approved

MOVED: Stephen DiCapua
SECOND: Alicia Clapp
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

Moved: to reject all other transportation bids received on April 25, 2011, upon the execution of a transportation contract with M & J Bus Company

Approved

MOVED: Stephen DiCapua
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

Mr. DiCapua stated that the Finance and Operations Committee met and discussed the current year's budget and our efforts to move around the \$190,000 that was spent on the roofs. Mr. DiCapua stated based upon the numbers coming in we will be able to accommodate that through 3-4 different accounts (e.g. transportation, heating, and cleaning accounts). Mr. DiCapua stated they are hopeful that tonight's budget passes and is looking forward to positive results. Mr. DiCapua reported that there were two finalists in the bus contract bidding. Mr. DiCapua reported that M & J Bus Company won the bid, which came in the lowest.

b. Personnel

1. Approval of Fall Soccer Coach – Brittany Collard (see attached)

Motion: To approve the Fall Soccer Coach – Brittany Collard

Approved

MOVED: Alicia Clapp
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

c. Curriculum, Instruction and Planning

1. Approval of NHMS field trip to Pompeii: The Exhibition; Discovery Times Square, New York City on May 24, 2011, May 25, 2011, May 31, 2011, and June 1, 2011 (see attached)

Moved: Approval of NHMS field trip to Pompeii: The Exhibition; Discovery Times Square, New York City on May 24, 2011, May 25, 2011, May 31, 2011, and June 1, 2011

Approved

MOVED: Bryan Bogen
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

2. Approval of the revised Medication Administration Policy (see attached)

Moved: Approval of the revised Medication Administration Policy

Approved

MOVED: Wesley O'Brien
SECOND: Sandra Cummings
AYE: 7
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 1

Mrs. Franceschet reported that the Curriculum, Instruction and Planning met on May 2, 2011. Sandra Preneta, Assistant Principal at North Haven High School gave a presentation on Odessey, a credit restoration software. Mrs. Franceschet stated that Annette Saurebrunn, our nursing supervisor shared the revised medication administration policy, which we approved. She stated that the committee reviewed the "field trip request forms" and are looking at other districts, with the hope of re writing our form so that we have one form being used by the entire district. Mrs. Franceschet reported that the next Curriculum, Instruction and Planning meeting will be June 6, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at Central Office.

4. ACES

Mrs. Clapp reported that various schools at ACES set up displays of their data walls. One of the “data walls” reported on suspensions and how they went from 160 suspensions down to 60 suspensions. Mrs. Clapp stated that they have moved from 2 students going to Gateway to 9 students going to Gateway. Mrs. Clapp was very pleased with what she learned. Mrs. Clapp reported that Dr. Edmonson shared the ACES Public School SRBI and teacher plans for the next five years.

5. North Haven PTA Council

Mrs. Franceschet reported there was a special meeting on Monday, April 25, 2011. Mrs. Franceschet reported that Ms. Brozek presented the proposed education budget for 2011-2012 school year, followed by discussion. The next PTA Council Meeting will be May 23, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the High School Library.

6. Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Cronin reported that NEASC has been on-site this week at North Haven Middle School speaking to teachers, administrators, students, and parents. Dr. Cronin and Ms. Brozek met with the committee in the afternoon concerning his work with the Middle School. Dr. Cronin shared documents prepared by the staff at North Haven Middle School. Dr. Cronin stated that the Middle School did a wonderful job preparing for this visit.

7. Public Comments

- Tom DeRosa – Lancelot Drive – parent of Middle School baseball player that was suspended. Mr. DeRosa had concerns and comments regarding policies of the North Haven Public School, specifically the suspension policy.
- Kevin Basmadjian – 79 Knollwood Road - parent and Quinnipiac University employee. Mr. Basmadjian was concerned with the relationship between North Haven Public Schools and Quinnipiac University Interns. He stated that he has met with Dr. Cronin and was pleased that his concerns have been resolved.
- Patricia Carafino – 21 Carina Road – parent and bus driver in North Haven. Ms. Carafino had some questions/concerns regarding the bus bids and wanted to know the bidding process.
- Rick Rife – Sugar Hill Road – parent of Middle School baseball player that was also suspended. Mr. Rife also spoke regarding the Board Policy with suspensions.

8. Executive Session: if needed

9. Adjournment 8:15p.m.

Approved

MOVED: Bert Mozealous
SECOND: Wesley O’Brien
AYE: 9
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN 0

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Cummings

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Chairman