

Committee of the Whole

April 02, 2019 6:30 PM
Derby Middle School Cafetorium
73 Chatfield Street

Attendance Taken at 6:43 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Dan Foley
Mr. Jim Gildea
Mr. George Kurtyka
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio
Mrs. Janine Netto
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara
Mrs. Debra Borrelli
Mrs. Casey Picheco

Absent Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Harris

I. Call to Order

I.a. Opening Ceremonies

I.b. Roll Call

I.c. Additions/Deletions to the agenda

Motion Passed: Add two items: Memorandum of Agreement for Learning Center/Discussion and Reorganization of special education to the agenda after 13. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mrs. Casey Picheco.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

Motion Passed: Add discussion of the Fencing at Payden Park as item 16 passed with a motion by Mr. Kenneth Marcucio and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

II. Public Participation

No one from the public spoke.

III. Executive Session

Motion Passed: The Board of Education enter into Executive Session to review the appointment list for new hires, and discuss the Learning Center Memorandum of Understanding, and the Superintendent of Schools is invited to attend at 7:00 PM. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. Dan Foley.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

The meeting reopened to the public at 7:05 PM.

IV. Facilities Manager

Motion Passed: The Board of Education approve the appointment of Matthew Cunningham to the position of Facilities Manager for the Derby Public Schools, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mrs. Debra Borrelli.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

V. Climate Specialist

Motion Passed: The Board of Education approve the appointment of Anthony Kacprzyski to the position of Climate Specialist at Irving School, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

VI. Student Representative Report

VII. Coaching Model

Cathy Pomeroy, Deb Zaleha, Keely Edwards, Nicole Mastroianni, Nicole Trimarchi, Tracy Landolfi, and Tracey Quartiano gave a presentation on the coaching model in the elementary schools and how it works.

VIII. Administrator's Reports

VIII.a. Bradley School Monthly Report

Curriculum Updates

- Dr. Seuss Week was held from 3/4 - 3/8/19 - feedback was very positive from students, families, staff, and guest readers
- Literacy How site visits continued throughout the month for grades K-1 and 2-4 and in-house coaching for grades K-5
- Family Pizza and Math Night event on 3/12 was a huge success with 200+ in attendance
- Teachers attended a Universal Design for Learning (UDL) workshop on 3/15 and led PLC on 3/27/19
- Participated in the Early Learning and Chronic Absenteeism
- Communities of Practice 3/29 Author Visit - Lauren Tarshes

VIII.b. Irving School Monthly Report

- Held Instructional Rounds at Irving/participated with team at Instructional Rounds held at DHS
- Monthly coaching meetings held by Tracey Quartiano/1st coaching cycles begun since needs assessment
- Technical Assistance Meeting/Focus Groups with Stephen Proffitt from SERC to plan for LCs
- Celebrated Read Across America Day and Dr. Sues's' Birthday with a week of reading activities
- Held Pasta Dinner to raise money for Nature's Classroom
- Participated in Alliance District Monitoring Meeting in Hartford
- ExcEL committee met with Dr. Juan Lopez to review English Language Learner growth and prepare for teachers to earn micro-credentials
- Held Child Study Team meetings and two school-wide data/leadership team meetings Held Spring Literacy Data Team meetings with Kelly from Hill for Literacy

VIII.c. Derby Middle School Monthly Report

MyLearning Plan Teacher Evaluations- Ongoing

State Department of Education Data Support Meeting held with all English/Reading Teachers

8th Grade Parent Night Held at DHS to kick off Course Registration Process

Attended and participated in Instructional Rounds at Irving and DHS with Mrs. Burns and Mr. Dryer

2 Math Teachers visited Danbury to preview Math Curriculum

School Improvement Team Meetings Weekly on Tuesday

CPI Training held for Staff Meeting

VIII.d. Derby High School Monthly Report

Weekly meetings of the School Improvement Team to work on development of school improvement plan, hosted 8th grade night, attended Portrait of a Graduate Community of Practice at CCSU, hosted Alan Berstein from College Board who met with DHS staff to discuss use of tools and data reports on College Board website, hosted Instructional Rounds at Derby High School

VIII.e. Early Childhood Program Director

The Board was updated on the status of the early childhood program.

VIII.f. Special Education Report

The Board was updated on the status of special education students.

VIII.g. Athletic Department Report

The Board was updated on the athletic achievements over the past school year.

IX. Smart Start Grant

Motion Passed: The Board of Education authorize the submission of the Smart Start Continuation of Funding Application for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. Dan Foley.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

X. Regional Water Authority Water Tower

XI. Derby Middle School Move Up Day Location

Dr. Conway said that traditionally move up day was held inside, but more recently it has been held on the black top on nice days. There has been discussion on if this should be held at the same place as the high school graduation. The high school graduation will be held on the baseball field if it's complete. Otherwise, they are looking at the auditorium or Witek Park. Ms. Netto felt that it would take away from the seniors if the 8th graders would be using it too. Mr. Marcucio agreed with Ms. Netto. Ms. O'Hara thought the high schoolers should have the first opportunity to graduate on the field.

XII. Late Bus

The board discussed mixing middle and high school students on the same bus 4 days a week. Mr. Gildea doesn't like the idea, but a monitor would be required to be on the bus. Mr. Pascale said many students don't have transportation so they do not participate in afterschool clubs and programs. Mr. Gildea said All Star should be contacted to see if routes could be altered to accommodate a second bus.

XIII. Derby Education Association Contract for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022

Motion Passed: The Board of Education approve the Derby Education Association Contract for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. Kenneth Marcucio.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

XIV. Memorandum of Agreement for Learning Center: Discussion and possible action

Motion Passed: The Board of Education approve the MOA for the Learning Center. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mrs. Casey Picheco.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

XV. Reorganization of special education: Discussion and possible action.

Dr. Conway discussed the need for more support. He will report back to the board with details at a later meeting.

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education authorize Dr. Conway to look into the reorganization of the special education model passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

XVI. Fencing at Payden Park: Discussion and possible action.

Mr. Marcucio discussed the fencing options for softball. He feels strongly about the girls being treated the same as the boys. Mr. Kurtyka agrees but there is no funding. Ms. Netto said she feels uncomfortable going to the committee and asking a private donor for more money. If the board wants to find other funding options then she would be interested. Dr. Conway will look into costs.

XVII. Adjourn

Motion Passed: The Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 8:54 PM. passed with a motion by Mrs. Janine Netto and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Absent
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Debra Borrelli	Yes
Mrs. Casey Picheco	Yes

Terri Kuskowski
Recording Secretary

Minutes are subject to approval at the next Board meeting.