

Town Clerk

DANBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, October 8, 2014

Administrative Center, 63 Beaver Brook Road

NOTE: 6:30 p.m. Reception for Western CT Academy for International Studies
7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to develop in all children the knowledge, skills, attitudes and values which will enable them to live a productive and self-fulfilling life and engage in responsible citizenship in a global society.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Eileen Alberts, Gladys Cooper, Michael Ferguson, Annrose Fluskey-Lattin, Richard Hawley, Richard Jannelli, David Metrena, Kathleen Molinaro, Ralph Pietrafesa, Robert Taborsak, Phyllis Tranzillo

EXHIBIT

IV. RECOGNITIONS

CT Association of Schools (CAS) named Western CT Academy for International Studies the Elementary School of the Year 14-182(pg.5)

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Board welcomes Public Participation and asks that speakers please limit their comments to 3 minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and programs that concern them. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, or against any person connected with the Danbury Public School System.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION - that the Board of Education approve the items on the Consent Calendar, Exhibits 14-183 through 14-191, as recommended:

A. MINUTES

- 9/23/14 Community Relations Committee Meeting 14-183(pg.7)
9/23/14 Board Meeting 14-184(pg.8)
9/29/14 Special Board Meeting (Exp) 14-185(pg.14)
9/30/14 Special Board Meeting (Exp) 14-186(pg.15)
9/30/14 Special Board Meeting (Exp) 14-187(pg.16)
10/2/14 Sites & Facilities Committee Meeting 14-188(pg.17)

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B. PERSONNEL REPORT

Accept Leave of Absence: Michelle Figueiredo

Accept Resignations: Ashley Dovale, Dicol Ith, Kathleen Miceli,  
Victor Mitchell, Rita Petsch  
Annie Ramirez, Laura Schechter,  
Jean Caldora (Enrichment Only)

New Hires September 19-October 2, 2014:

<b>CERTIFIED</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Victoria Lasalandra	WSMSA/AIS	SPED
Sasha Santiago	DHS	Bilingual Guidance Counselor
Sarah Varachi	AIS	Grade 4 - 1 yr. L/T SUB
Katherine Didriksen-Brezac	DHS	.6 English
Elizabeth King	DHS	TESOL
<b>Non-Certified</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Michelina Palanzo	GRP	Tutor
Teresa Knipe	BVMS	Tutor
Nygel White	Park Ave.	CRC Site Facilitator
Marleny Guzman	South St	CRC Enrichment Assoc.
Suzanne Wildman	BVMS	CRC Enrichment Assoc.
Kimberly Fortunato	Park Ave.	F/T Title 1 Para
Amy Davis	South St	Literacy Interventionist
Rosemary Jackson	DECEC	Tutor
Sahwn Santiago	Ells	CRC Enrichment Assoc.
Katie Wolfe	KSP	Literacy Interventionist
Amy Parisi	STR	Literacy Interventionist
Harry Mandel	RPMS	Literacy Interventionist
Dona Petruccelli	BVMS	Literacy Interventionist
Shawn Johnson	Hayestown	Literacy Interventionist
Amanda Pirri	Hayestown	Literacy Interventionist
Mary Tahan	Hayestown	Literacy Interventionist
Robert Fairchild	Morris	Literacy Interventionist
Tamara Burgess	KSI	Literacy Interventionist
Mitchell Peterson	BVMS	Literacy Interventionist
Victoria LaRegina	BVMS	Math Interventionist
Lynne Hamilton-Lukasik	RPMS	Literacy Interventionist
Lori Logan	BVMS	Math Interventionist
Lauren Korres	Hayestown	Literacy Interventionist
Ellen Young	Morris	Literacy Interventionist
Betty Roberson	South St	Literacy Interventionist
Mary McCormack	MRP	Literacy Interventionist
Suzanne Perry	Morris	Literacy Interventionist
Jasmin Bates	Ellsworth	CRC Enrichment Assoc.
Haley Ahrstrom	ACE	Math Interventionist
Sphia Forbes	GRP	Literacy Interventionist
Judith Kreiger	GRP	Literacy Interventionist
Melisa Moreau	STR	Literacy Interventionist
Nicole Sanders	GRP	Safety Advocate
Ebony Spruill	BVMS	Secretary
Nancy Hattar	RPMS	Literacy Interventionist
Wendy Surovy		Daily Sub Teacher
Maria Dovale		Sub Custodian

Nicole Sanders	Sub Safety Advocate
Patricia Alessandro	Sub Teacher
Timothy Bishop	Sub Teacher
Hira Malick	Sub Teacher
Erika Behringer	Sub Teacher
Lela Connor	Sub Secretary
Kathleen Plate	Sub Secretary
James Garron Jr.	Sub Custodian
Gregg Taylor	Sub Para/Tutor
Dawn Auslander	Sub Secretary
Amanda Formica	Sub Teacher
Amanda Hibert	Sub Para/Tutor
Zerine Lekaj	Sub Secretary
Priti Visaria	Sub Para/Tutor
Amelia Shwartz	Sub Teacher
Julia Tracey	Sub Teacher
Victor Mitchell	Sub Custodian
Vincent Van Wattum	Sub Teacher

**C. DONATIONS**

- Accept \$1,000 donation from Non Profit Rental Housing toward the Purchase of a van for Reach and Endeavor Program..... 14-190(pg.28)
- Accept from the City of Danbury, through the administration of the United Way, grant award of \$8,000 to the Family Learning Center..... 14-191(pg.29)

**VII. EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE**

**VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES**

DHS: Jamie Gherna, Grace Gillotti, Tyler Amaral, Allie Smith  
 ACE: Shawn Lavoie, John King

**IX. PRESENTATION**

**X. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Head Start Food Service Agreement  
 MOTION: that the Board of Education approve the 2014-2015 School Food Service Agreement with Head Start..... 14-192(pg.30)
- B. Superintendent’s 2014-2015 Goals & Objectives  
 MOTION: that the Board of Education accept the Superintendent’s 2014-2015 Goals & Objectives..... 14-193(pg.32)

**XI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- A. October 1, 2014 Official Enrollment..... 14-194(pg.34)
- B. Update on graduation requirements
- C. CCER – IT/Data Team Update

**XII. DISCUSSION**

**XIII. INFORMATION**

A. DHS field trip to Quebec, Canada, February 13-16, 2015 ..... 14-195(pg.35)  
 B. DHS field trip to Paris, French Riviera, April 17-25, 2015 ..... 14-196(pg.38)  
 C. Girls Scouts Heart of the Hudson ..... 14-197(pg.41)  
 D. Nick Fraticelli named girls track coach at DHS ..... 14-198(pg.42)

**XIV. BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT**

A. 2014 CABE/CAPSS Convention, November 14-15 ..... 14-199(pg.43)

**XV. BOARD REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS**

<u>Committee Reports</u>	<u>Chair:</u>	<u>Members:</u>
Operations, Sites & Facilities; City Building		Jannelli, Molinaro, Taborsak, Tranzillo
Community Relations	Jannelli	Cooper, Metrena, Molinaro, Pietrafesa
Finance	Hawley, Jannelli	Cooper, Metrena, Molinaro
Policy	Molinaro	Ferguson, Fluskey-Lattin, Hawley, Taborsak
Superintendent Evaluation	Cooper	Ferguson, Fluskey-Lattin, Pietrafesa, Taborsak
<u>District Committees</u>	<u>Members:</u>	
City-Wide PTO	Molinaro, Pietrafesa	
DSABC	Ferguson	
Education Connection	Jannelli	
Magnet School Trustees	Metrena, Taborsak	
Oral Health Initiative	Tranzillo	
School Based Health	Tranzillo	
TDEC/Teacher Eval.	Ferguson, Taborsak, Tranzillo (Alt)	
<u>Other Committees</u>		
Negotiations – Administrators	Metrena, Tranzillo	
Negotiations - Non Teaching	Taborsak, Tranzillo	
Negotiations – Teachers	Tranzillo	

**XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**XVII. PUBLIC SESSION**

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**FUTURE MEETINGS AND DATES TO REMEMBER**

October 6	Citywide PTO Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Park Avenue
October 7	One hour early release for students/PD
October 8	Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 pm
October 13	Columbus Day – Schools & Offices Closed
October 15	“Meet the Candidates”, 7:00 p.m., Broadview
October 21	One hour early release for students/PD
October 22	Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 pm
November 3,5,6,7	Elementary & Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 4	Professional Development Day, Schools Closed
November 11	Veteran’s Day – Schools & Offices Closed
November 12	Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
November 17	DHS Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 18	One hour early release for students PD
November 25(Tues)	Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
November 26,27,28	Thanksgiving Recess – Schools & Offices Closed