

LISBON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Lisbon, Connecticut

Board of Education Minutes
Monday, September 17, 2012
Regular Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: R. Baah (Chair), J. Jencks, M. Krauss, P. Allyn, J. Marshall, I. Rogers, J. Lewerk, R. Rogers, M. Burelle

Board Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: S. Keating (Superintendent), B. Austin (LCS Principal), K. Graves (CCHS Director), D. Cormier (Business Manager), L. Slocum (Special Education Director)

Administrators Absent: None

Student Ambassadors Present: B. Cormier, S. Way

Student Ambassadors Absent: None

Others: M. Jenkins, H. Colletti

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair R. Baah called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by the Student Ambassadors

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

5. **LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENT AMBASSADORS REPORT:**

B. Cormier reported that the 8th grade students have started working on short stories in Language Arts. In Science, the bridge project has begun. Early America and how Europeans explored it is the focus in Social Studies, and in Environmental, the projects from previous years have started back up and the students are brainstorming ideas for new projects.

S. Way reported that the 7th grade students are working on dissecting owl pellets in Science and in Language Arts they are working on short phrases.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2012 Regular Board of Education Meeting as presented; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

7. **ADMINISTRATORS' / SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- a) B. Austin reported that Target presented LCS with a \$500 check. It ties into their "Books for Scholarship Award" program. Education is at the heart of Target's giving. By the year 2015, they are planning on giving away a billion dollars in the area of reading. The Griswold Youth Football League recognized one of our own this past Sunday. They retired Joe Kelly's number 70. There were a number of staff members, parents and

friends on hand to honor Joe. The key card project has been completed. Teachers now need to carry their card key with them at all times when entering the building. Our first fire drill was last week and it went smoothly. October 25th is Family Literacy Night. A storyteller will be with us and booths will be set up by teachers regarding our new reading program. Strategies will be provided on how to improve literacy skills. B. Austin stated that he can't believe how many students are actually using the track before they start the day. The track will definitely be utilized this year. Pictures of the interns are on the wall by B. Austin's office so that staff and parents may identify them.

- b) K. Graves reported that the new location of CCHS is working out great. The students and staff are enjoying the space. She also discussed Virtual Learning Academy with the Board.
- c) L. Slocum discussed the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation and how the staff are preparing for the site visit and are completing the portfolios that need to be submitted.
- d) D. Cormier discussed the final cost of fuel for 2012 – 2013.
- e) S. Keating read a report from Brian McGlew with regards to maintenance. The card key project is now completed and we have a total of eleven card readers located at the following doorways: front door of the maintenance shop, door in the junior high section, back door of the kitchen, door next to the dumpster, main entrance, door entering the main office, door at the preschool wing, door in the third grade wing, door in back of the business office, door leading to the track and door leading to the connector to the media center. We will give the system a couple of weeks to make sure it is working properly and if all is well, we will be contacting a locksmith to rekey the building. Only the administration and custodial / maintenance staff will have this key. The smart boards have arrived and Valley Communications will be installing them. They should have this completed by the end of the week. Valley Communications also installed the new clock system and the sound system in the gym. The air conditioning unit for the Media Center is not working at this time. BT Lindsay Co. has found that one of the three UVM Boards has failed. The board has been ordered and we are waiting for them to come back and install it. Total cost for this repair is unknown at this time. S. Keating talked about goal setting, as it relates to the new teacher evaluation system. She also informed the Board that there is a need for a tutor, required by the State for ELL students who speak little/no English. The tutor would be for 2 hours/day, 5 days per week at \$25.00/hour. The cost for the year is approximately \$9,000 and hopefully, the tutor will be in place by October 1st.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: M. Krauss moved to approve the monthly expenditures for August 2012, Fiscal Year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$77,158.02; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: J. Lewerk moved to approve the monthly expenditures for August 2012, Fiscal Year 2012-2013 in the amount of \$458,480.17; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to approve the financial statement for August 2012, Fiscal Year 2011-2012 as presented by the Administration; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to approve the financial statement for August 2012, Fiscal Year 2012-2013 as presented by the Administration; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

- a) Presentation re: CT's New Accountability System and the 2012 CMT Results – S. Keating, B. Austin, L. Slocum and M. Jenkins provided a power point presentation to the Board. LCS has shown steady growth in achievement in all subject areas over the last three years.
- b) Acceptance of Letters of Resignation – R. Baah read the resignation letters from Mrs. Kristen Hunter, 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher at LCS and Mr. Feliu Morales, Math Teacher at CCHS.

MOTION: M. Krauss moved to accept Mrs. Kristen Hunter's resignation with regret and to wish her much success in the future. J. Marshall seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Krauss moved to accept Mr. Feliu Morales' resignation with regret and to wish him much success in the future. J. Marshall seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

- c) Amendment to Policy #5132 Students – Dress and Grooming – The Board discussed amending this policy to add the official LCS flannel pants under Standards of Acceptable Dress..

MOTION: J. Marshall moved to approve the amendment to Policy #5132 Students – Dress and Grooming as discussed; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

- d) First Read of Policy #4132/4232 Personnel – Certified and Non-Certified – Dress and Grooming – The Board discussed the policy draft and it will be brought to the next meeting for a second read.

- e) Extension of CCAT Contract – The contract with CCAT for IT Managed Support Services expires September 30, 2012. Discussion was held regarding extending the contract for one year in the amount of \$3,385/month and also extending the Hosting Services agreement for one year in the amount of 4,249.38/year.

MOTION: R. Rogers moved to extend the CCAT contract for IT Managed Support Services for one year in the amount of \$3,385/month and for Hosting Services in the amount of \$4,249.38/year.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

- f) Discussion re: Student Accident Insurance – The Board discussed insurance options when there is an overnight field trip.

MOTION: R. Baah moved to buy an insurance rider for overnight field trips; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: Yes – M. Burelle, P. Allyn, J. Lewerk, M. Krauss, J. Marshall
No – J. Jencks, I. Rogers, R. Rogers, R. Baah

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: J. Marshall moved to purchase Compulsory Coverage in the amount of \$3,000; R. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: Yes – None
No – M. Burelle, J. Marshall, M. Krauss, J. Lewerk, P. Allyn, J. Jencks, I. Rogers,
R. Rogers, R. Baah

MOTION DENIED

- g) Discussion re: Confidential Student Record

MOTION: R. Rogers moved to move Agenda Item #9(g) Discussion regarding Confidential Student Record to Executive Session to be held at the end of the Board meeting after Agenda Item #13; J. Marshall seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** – The Negotiations Committee has a meeting on Tuesday, September 18th

11. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA** - None

12. **NEXT AGENDA PLANNING** – Policy #4132/4232 – Personnel – Certified and Non-Certified – Dress and Grooming

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

H. Colletti (157 Preston Allen Road) – Commended the Board on a great job that they are doing.

MOTION: R. Rogers to move to enter into Executive Session and to invite B. Austin, D. Cormier and S. Keating to discuss Agenda Item #9(g) Discussion regarding Confidential Student Record; J. Marshall seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered into executive session at 8:35 pm.

The Board ended Executive session at 8:38 pm.

No motions were made and no votes were taken during executive session.

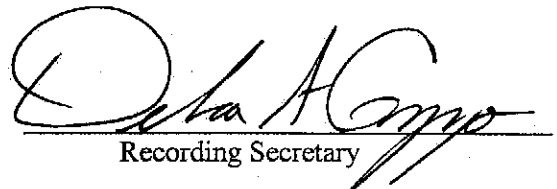
14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: R. Rogers moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.; J. Marshall seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,


Recording Secretary

Approved

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ATTEST. LAURIE TIROCCHI, TOWN CLERK
