



North Haven Public Schools

North Haven, Connecticut 06473

North Haven Public School
Board of Education Meeting
Minutes

Thursday, February 14, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Anita Anderson, Wesley O'Brien, Randi Petersen, Bryan Bogen, Goldie Adele, Jennifer Cecarelli, Amanda Gabrielle, Joseph Solimene, Dorothy Logan, Dana Corriveau, Director of Student Services, Melinda McKenna, Assistant Superintendent, Patrick Stirk, incoming Superintendent of Schools, and Robert Cronin, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools.

- I. Presentation – Jane E. Hylan, MPH MCHES, of the Community Health Center, Inc. – Program Proposal Information Item

Mrs. Anderson introduced Jane Hylan, Director, from the Community Health Center, Inc. who began her presentation by explaining what her organization does and can do for North Haven Public Schools. Ms. Hylan explained that the program she is proposing for North Haven is a school based health service. Her organization service 180 school districts in Connecticut with a variety of models depending on needs. The program she is proposing for North Haven is a behavioral health service with licensed clinical social workers that go into schools and provide individual, group and family therapy to students in need. Consent forms are filled out for parental permission. These services will be available to our Middle School and High School students/families. Ms. Hylan took questions from the Board of Education Members and answered them accordingly.

1. Approval of the adoption of the Community Health Center proposed Program at North Haven Middle School and North Haven High School

Motion: to approve the adoption of the Community Health Center, Inc., Approved

MOVED: Dorothy Logan
SECOND: Randi Petersen
AYE: 9
NAY: 0
BSTAINED: 0

- II. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes December 13, 2018

Motion: to approve the items on the Consent Agenda Approved

MOVED: Amanda Gabrielle
SECOND: Dorothy Logan
AYE: 9
NAY: 0
ABSTAINED: 0

III. Board of Education Student Representatives Reports

Information Item

Zoe (Jr. Rep) reported:

- Car Wash fundraisers
- Flocking fundraiser
- Mixed bag fundraising
- College decisions coming in

Zoe reported on behalf of Tim (Sr. Rep):

- College decisions coming in
- Bake sale last week at Course Selection Night
- Badminton
- Teachers vs. student game
- Prom preparations underway
- Diversity videos being made, as well as posters to create a positive school environment. Dr. Cronin suggested the High School go over to the Middle School and mentor those students as well.

IV. Report of the Board of Education Chairperson or Designee

Mrs. Anderson reported:

- The Board of Education members have donated library books to the schools in Dr. Cronin's name as well as the North Haven Public Library.
- Tickets to the North Haven High School Play are on sale

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

VII. Reports of Standing Committees:

1. ACES

Information Item

Mrs. Logan reported:

- The Ledder Hill Building is on schedule
- ACES adopted their school calendar, having school begin mid-week
- There was a Seculsion/Restraint Policy Update, with the guidance from Tom Mooney.

2. Curriculum, Instruction, and Planning

Information Item

Dr. O'Brien reported:

- Dr. Dallai proposed to hire an additional security guard. Currently there is only one, who monitors the entranceway. This additional guard will patrol the school grounds, afternoons and evenings. The salary would come from money that is already for another position that has been eliminated. This Committee recommended this for approval.
- Mr. Blumenthal proposed to hire an Assistant Track and Field Coach, which this Committee also recommended for approval.
- NHMS Club Proposal – The Heart and Sole Club, which was recommended for approval.

3. Finance and Operations

Information Item

Mr. Bogan reported that Finance and Operations did not meet this month, as the new Business Manager will be starting on March 11, 2019.

4. Middle School Building Committee Information Item

Mr. Adele reported:

- There was a Special Meeting focusing on approving the Specs for the new gym floor, which was approved. It can now go out to bid. The next meeting is March 4, 2019. The plan is to have the floors complete over the summer

5. North Haven Education Foundation Information Item

Mr. Solimene reported that the NHEF meeting was postponed due to inclement weather

6. Policy Information Item

Mrs. Anderson stated that it is time to begin reviewing our policies one by one, series at a time working With Jessica Ritter at Shipman and Goodwin.

7. PTA Council Information Item

Mrs. Gabrielle reported:

- Meeting was January 6, 2019
- Legislative Breakfast on February 27th
- Update on Project Graduation
- Food Truck Rumble
- Best Buddies Ball
- Discussion regarding MS/HS Diversity Club
- Discussion around vaping
- Clintonville – offer after school enrichment program
- Montowese – Sock and Book Drive – items were collected
- Next Meeting March 6, 2019

8. Ad Hoc Athletic Committee Information Item

VIII. Staff Communications

A. Superintendent's Report Information Item

1. District Improvement Plan Information Item

Dr. Cronin reported:

- Mid Year report in draft form for the Board of Education to review.
- Office of Civil Rights – non-discrimination policy
- Dr. Cronin expressed his gratitude for his time in North Haven to the Board of Education, faculty, staff and community.

B. Assistant Superintendent's Report Information Item

Mrs. McKenna reported:

- Professional Development Day is tomorrow for the faculty

C. Director of Finance and Operations

1. Director of Finance and Operation's Report Information Item
2. Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Information Item

IX. Public Comments

- Nancy Barrett – Commented that the budget presentation was very well done and she Had questions regarding the turf field account, as well as intervention teachers
- Sally Buemi – commented regarding the replacement of the NHMS gym floor.

X. Future Agenda Items Discussion Item
o Phil Diana's report on air conditioning at the Elementary Schools

XI. Executive Session -

Motion: to move into Executive Session for matters of personnel and Contract Negotiations. Mrs. Anderson also invited Mr. Stirk into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

Approved

MOVED: Amanda Gabrielle
SECOND: Jennifer Cearelli
AYE: 9
NAY: 0
ABSTAINED: 0

XII. Adjournment

Motion: to adjourn at 8:06 p.m.

Approved

MOVED: Joseph Solomene
SECOND: Jennifer Cecarelli
AYE: 9
NAY: 0
ABSTAINED: 0

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Anderson
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Chairperson