

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, October 25, 2016
Long Hill Administration Building

The Trumbull Board of Education convened in the Long Hill Administration Building for a Regular Meeting.

Members present:

L. Chory, Chairman
S. Testani, Vice Chairman
L. Timpanelli, Secretary
J. Donofrio, Board Member
P. Lavoie, Board Member
M. Petitti, Board Member
M. Ward, Board Member

Agenda Item I—Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item II—Preliminary Business

Mrs. Chory asked for a moment of silence to honor Mary Raccuia, THS media specialist who recently passed away.

A. Salute to the Flag - The Public Session began with a salute to the Flag.

It was moved (Testani) and seconded (Donofrio) to move Agenda Item III-C Approval/Policy Committee Advisory Members to the third agenda item following Recognition of Outgoing Policy Committee Members. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

B. Recognition – Outgoing Policy Committee Members

The following five individuals have completed their two-year term on the Policy Committee: Jennifer Mottolese, Kristine Kely Murano, Bryan Woodward, representing parents/guardians, and Cindy Katske, and Mary Pierson representing community members. The Board recognized and commended them for their commitment to Trumbull Public Schools in advising the Board regarding formulation of policy.

Agenda Item III – Reports/Action Items

C. Approval/Policy Committee Advisory Members for Term November, 2016 to August, 2018

The Board of Education accepted applications in September from parents/guardians and community members to serve as advisory members of the Board Policy Committee. The following volunteers are recommended to the Board to serve on the Policy Committee: Kristine Kely Murano (returning), Joseph Peddle, and E. Violet Reyes, representing parents and guardians, and Deborah Herbst and Ellen Kalendra representing community members. It was moved (Lavoie) and seconded (Testani) to approve the above recommended volunteers to the Policy Committee for the term November 11, 2016 to August 31, 2018 as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Agenda Item II—Preliminary Business

- D. Correspondence – Mrs. Timpanelli reported that there was no correspondence this evening.
- E. Public Comments – Mrs. Cindy Katske of 129 Meadowview Drive served on the Policy Committee for two years and asked that the Board consider implementing a new applicant selection process and had several recommendations to help in the process. Mr. Joe Peddle of 40 Merrimac Drive thanked the Board for selecting him as a Policy Committee Advisory member and looks forward to working again with the Board of Education.
- F. Board Chairman Report – Mrs. Chory and several other board members attended Democracy Day and had the pleasure of reading to classes at Frenchtown Elementary School.
- G. Superintendent Report – Dr. Cialfi reported on:
- Democracy Day at Frenchtown, several candidates and elected officials were in attendance to answer students’ questions about the candidates.
 - There was a great turn out at the Pumpkin Run on October 23 which is a major fundraiser for the THS Scholarship Foundation.
 - The THSGEMB placed first as regional champions at the Bands of America Regional Championship at University of Delaware.
 - At the first district wide English language learner parent night, Dr. Budd and our six ELL teachers presented program goals to parents of ELL students.
 - Dr. McGrath organized two professional development sessions: PBIS training and Positive Behavior Interventions and Support - School Climate.
 - The annual TPAUD Underage Drinking Forum will be held on Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. at THS.

Agenda Item III—Reports/Action Items

- A. Approval/Minutes – Regular Meeting 10/06/2016
It was moved (Ward) and seconded (Donofrio) to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2016 Regular Board of Education meeting as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- B. Personnel Report
Dr. Cialfi reported one certified appointment: Herlihy, Suzanne; 6/13 (\$80,961) special education teacher at Trumbull High School effective October 13, 2016.
- C. Curriculum Committee Report
Mrs. Petitti reported that the Curriculum Committee met on Thursday, October 20, 2016 and reviewed several curriculum guides and a textbook to be presented to the Board.

Approval/Curriculum Guides – Dr. Budd presented the following curriculum guides for approval:

1. AP ECE Calculus BC
2. Cultural Anthropology
3. Latin IV

It was moved (Timpanelli) and seconded (Ward) to approve the above three recommended curriculum guides as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Approval/New Course Text Proposals – Dr. Budd presented the following textbook for approval:

4. *Barron's AP Statistics* (Core: Advanced Placement Statistics)

It was moved (Timpanelli) and seconded (Ward) to approve the above recommended textbook as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

D. District Enrollment Report

Dr. Cialfi reviewed the official October 1, 2016 enrollment figures which are forwarded officially to the State Department of Education. It was noted that the overall enrollment is 77 students above projections.

The Board acknowledged and welcomed several Sacred Heart University students who attended tonight's meeting as part of their curriculum.

Adjournment

Board Members gave unanimous consent to adjourn the Public Session at 7:40 p.m.