

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Regular Meeting – October 19, 2010
Long Hill Administration Building
Lorraine R. Smith Assembly Room

6:00 p.m./8:00 p.m.*

AGENDA

- I. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**
 - A. Self Evaluation – Board of Education, Mr. Iassogna, Mr. Radar*
 - B. Salute to the Flag
 - C. Correspondence
 - D. Comments and Questions

- II. PERSONNEL**
 - A. Personnel – Mr. Iassogna

- III. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. Approval/Minutes- /Regular Meeting – 10/5/10

- IV. REPORTS**
 - A. District Enrollment Report October 1, 2010 – Mr. Iassogna

- V. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Board of Education 2011 Meeting Dates – Mr. Lovely

- VI. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Board's Evaluation/Goal Setting Process – Mr. Lovely

- VII. RECEIVE AND FILE**
 - A. Pending Litigation – Dr. Cialfi
 - B. Negotiations – Dr. Cialfi

- VIII. OTHER**

***It is anticipated that the Board of Education meeting will convene at 6:00 p.m. but will move into Executive Session for its self-evaluation, with the regular meeting reconvening at 8:00 p.m.**

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Report to the Board of Education
Regular Meeting, October 19, 2010

Mr. Iassogna

Agenda Item II-A

Personnel

There have been no changes since the
last Board meeting.

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Mr. Iassogna

Agenda Item – III-A

Approval/Minutes

Regular Meeting – 10/5/10

Administrative Recommendation:

Approve the minutes of the above
noted meeting.

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT
Regular Meeting – October 5, 2010
Long Hill Administration Building
Lorraine R. Smith Assembly Room

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

Members present:

Members absent:

T. Lovely, Chairperson
D. Herbst, Vice Chairperson
L. Chory, Board Member
T. Kelly, Secretary
L. Labella, Board Member
M. Ward, Board Member
S. Wright, Board Member

Agenda Item I – Preliminary Business

- A. Salute to the Flag – The Public Session began at 7:08 p.m. followed by a salute to the Flag.
- B. Correspondence – There was no correspondence this evening.
- C. Comments – There were no public comments this evening.

At this time, Chairman Lovely commended the Golden Eagles Marching Band for their outstanding performance at the Annual Band Classic and also commended Band Director Peter Horton, his staff and parents for their efforts in creating an excellent program. Mr. Lovely also commended the PTA Council, especially Lainie McHugh, Cory DeWeese and Lisa Labella, as a parent, for the outstanding job they did on the “ABC’s of the Trumbull Education Budget” which was presented at the PTA Council meeting on October 4th, and noted that he forwarded the booklet to State Representatives T.R. Rowe and Tony Hwang, and Congressman Jim Himes. He also commended Trumbull High School senior Amisha Sisodiya, one of 9 students in the country who was honored in Washington D.C. for her essay in the Martin Luther King “Kids for King” program. Superintendent Iassogna introduced and welcomed Rita McDougald-Campbell, new A-House Principal at Trumbull High School. He also noted that Craig Breslow, Trumbull High and Yale University graduate, and a major league pitcher for the Oakland A’s, was named the smartest and wisest current athlete in all sports by Sporting News Magazine, and is being considered for the Roberto Clemente Humanitarian Award for founding the Strike 3 Foundation which raises monies for childhood cancer, and congratulated him for his success.

Agenda Item II -- Personnel

- A. Personnel – Mr. Iassogna noted that there was one resignation. It was moved (Herbst) seconded (Labella) to accept the resignation of Amy Williams, TAG Teacher/Team Leader since October 2005, resigning effective October 14, 2010. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Agenda Item III – Consent Agenda

- A. Approval/Minutes – Regular Meeting –9/21/10 By unanimous consent of members present at that meeting, the minutes were approved as presented.

Agenda Item IV – Reports

- A. Oral Reports -- Mrs. Ference, Teacher Board Representative, noted that the student photos have been scheduled; Back to School Nights went well for both staff and parents; staff attended an anti-bullying workshop that was well received with good information provided; elementary open houses where parents can visit classes during the school day and observe classroom activities will take place during October; and the staff looks for the continued support of the Board. Michael Smith, Student Board Representative, reported that Spirit Week (Sept. 27 – Oct. 1) was the earliest ever and promoted a lot of school spirit which can be built upon during the year; club sign up day was done so that students could go to the media center during their lunch periods to review clubs in addition to being available after school; Mrs. Spillane’s AP English class did an extra credit project on “Banned Books Week”; and the varsity football team is off to a great start, 3-0. Patrick Curtin, Student Board Representative also noted that this was the first Spirit Week ever where there were no disciplinary problems.
- B. THS Post High School Plans – Mrs. O’Connell reviewed the summary comparing data for the Classes of 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010, noting that 93% of the Class of 2010 is attending higher education. She noted that applications to the most competitive schools were down slightly from 2009 as more students were applying to state schools, most likely due to the economic environment. Mrs. O’Connell further noted that the application process has become easier as most applications are done online and that students who take ECE courses are more readily accepted at UCONN.
- C. SAT Report – Dr. Tremaglio noted that 88% of the Class of 2010 took the SAT’s as compared to 84% of students in Connecticut and 47% of students in the nation. Scores rose over 2009 results, most notably math increased 14 points and critical writing 10 points. Both he and Mrs. O’Connell noted that colleges are looking at the “whole picture” with student acceptances, that in addition to grades, schools are looking at student involvement in their school, i.e. sports, clubs, community service, and work experience. Both Mr. Lovely and Vice Chair Deborah Herbst commended the teaching staff at the high school for their contributions to improved test scores and Mr. Lovely also noted that a 10 point increase in writing scores is impressive. Mrs. Labella noted that the two reports on college acceptances are helpful to parents and students involved in the college application process. Dr. Tremaglio also noted that the ECE courses and courses available through Housatonic Community College have given the students an advantage in the pursuit of higher education.

Agenda Item V – New Business

- A. Approval/UCONN Model UN Conference—Ms. Boland noted that 16 students will participate in the Model United Nations Conference to take place at the University of Connecticut November 4 through 6, 2010. It was moved (Ward) seconded (Herbst) to approve the UCONN Model UN Conference as outlined with such approval contingent upon parent(s)/guardian signing a waiver relieving the school district of any financial obligations due to trip cancellation for any reason. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- B. Policies—First Reading, 4139/Staff Health and Safety and 5139/Student Health and Safety—Ms. Damato noted that the original policy, Staff and Student Health and Safety, is being rescinded and is now being separated into two distinct policies. She noted it is the same policy with some minor wording changes and an added appendix of safety procedures during lightening storms. Discussion ensued including expanding the wording on searching lockers to include bookbags, purses, backpacks and requesting a legal opinion on such.

- C. Superintendent's Evaluation Process and Timeline—Mr. Lovely noted that several Board members had requested having a goal oriented evaluation for the Superintendent. He reviewed the outline which was based on a mode from the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE). Mr. Lovely noted that he wanted to invite a CABE staff member to meet with the Board regarding Board self-assessment and the Superintendent's evaluation process and suggested this could be done in an executive session before a Board meeting. Mr. Iassogna shared that the Board of Education Programs Committee Report and the Seward and Monde audit of those programs is 85% completed and will be shared with the Board at the next meeting or no later than its November 8th meeting. He also noted that the report will contain protocols for all programs and could evolve into Board policy.

Agenda Item VI – Old Business

Agenda Item VII – Other

Adjournment

Board Members gave unanimous consent to adjourn the Public Session at 8:08 p.m.

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Report to the Board of Education
Regular Meeting – October 19, 2010

Mr. Iassogna

Agenda Item – IV-A

District Enrollment Report

The attached enrollment summary outlines our official 2010-11 figures.

Our October 1st enrollment totals 7,017 students, including preschool, special education and out-of-district placements.

With regard to a comparison of our October 1, 2010 figures with those projected, please note the following chart which reflects that we are +45 students above these projections:

	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
> Preschool	226	234	+ 8
> Elementary	2964	2974	+10
> Middle	1609	1620	+11
> High	2132	2152	+20
> Outplaced	<u>41</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>- 4</u>
Total	6972	7017	+ 45

The above numbers confirm that we have a somewhat growing student population although the increases do not always produce the class breakdowns we anticipate, specifically at the elementary level. Also, these numbers reflect an increase of 16 students, excluding outplacements, above our opening day enrollment. These official figures will now be forwarded to the Connecticut State Department of Education.

Administrative Recommendation: Review and discuss.

**ENROLLMENT REPORT
TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OCTOBER 1, 2010**

School	Pre-K	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade	In System Total	**Out- Placed	Grand Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12							
Booth Hill		75	96	100	94	86	84											535	1	536
Daniels Farm		57	96	77	72	91	105											498	0	498
Frenchtown		88	112	122	104	118	100											644	5	649
Jane Ryan		55	78	70	54	82	63											402	0	402
Middlebrook		79	92	80	70	71	93											485	0	485
Tashua		51	61	83	53	76	86											410	2	412
Total K-5		405	535	532	447	524	531											2974	8	2982
Pre-K	234																	234		234
TOTAL Pre-K thru 5	234	405	535	532	447	524	531											3208	8	3216
Hillicrest							255	234	258									747	3	750
Madison							274	307	292									873	8	881
TOTAL MIDDLE SCHOOLS							529	541	550									1620	11	1631
Trumbull High												561	551	529	511			2152	18	2170
TOTAL SECONDARY							529	541	550	561	561	551	529	511				3772	29	3801
Grand Total	234	405	535	532	447	524	531	541	550	561	561	551	529	511			6980	37	7017	
*SPECIAL EDUCATION INCLUDED WITH THE IN-SYSTEM TOTALS																				
**OUTPLACED NOT INCLUDED WITH THE IN-SYSTEM TOTAL																				

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Report to the Board of Education
Budget Meeting – October 19, 2010

Mr. Iassogna

Agenda Item – V-A

Approval/Board of Education Meeting Dates

In accordance with Section 10-218 of the Connecticut General Statutes and the By-laws of the Trumbull Board of Education, the Board shall adopt a meeting schedule for the ensuing year.

Administrative Recommendation:

Adopt the attached Board of Education Meeting Dates for calendar year 2011.

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING DATES**

2011

JANUARY 4

JANUARY 18

FEBRUARY 1

FEBRUARY 15

MARCH 1

MARCH 15

APRIL 5 (1 MEETING IN APRIL DUE TO VACATION WEEK)

MAY 3

MAY 17

JUNE 7

JUNE 21

SUMMER MEETINGS

JULY 12

AUGUST 2

AUGUST 16

FALL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 6

SEPTEMBER 20

OCTOBER 4

OCTOBER 18

NOVEMBER 15

BUDGET SESSIONS
(Subject to Change)

DECEMBER 6
(TUESDAY)

DECEMBER 8
(THURSDAY)

DECEMBER 13
(TUESDAY)

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Report to the Board of Education
Regular Meeting – October 19, 2010

Board of Education

Agenda Item – VI-A

Board Goal Setting/
Evaluation Process

The substance of this agenda item will evolve from this evening's Executive Session.

Recommendation:

Review and discuss.

TRUMBULL BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Report to the Board of Education
Regular Meeting, October 19, 2010

Dr. Cialfi

Agenda Item VII-A

Pending Litigation

There are no major changes this month.

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

PENDING LITIGATION

CASE TOWN/BOARD	DESCRIPTION	CASE	REPRESENTATIVE TOWN/BOARD
1. M.A. vs.	M.A., a Trumbull resident tripped and fell on sidewalk at Trumbull High School on May 1, 2004. This claim seeks monetary damages against Board of Education and the Town of Trumbull, Mr. Donald Walsh, Maintenance Supervisor, Mr. Ralph Iassogna, Superintendent, Mr. Paul Kallmeyer, former Director of Public Works. (Notice of claim received April 21, 2006).	Pending	CIRMA
2. L.M., PPA B.M. vs.	L.M., PPA B.M. a Monroe minor was injured on November 11, 2006 while playing on the field located behind Middlebrook Elementary School when he tripped to the ground and fell onto a metal "spike" object protruding out of the ground. L.M. received injuries to his right knee. This claim seeks monetary damages against Board of Education and the Town of Trumbull. (Notice of claim received November 13, 2006).	Pending	ITT
3. M.S., PPA M.S. vs.	M.S., PPA M.S. a Trumbull minor was injured on September 15, 2005 at Trumbull High School while walking up stairs when she was caused to slip and fall. M.S. received injuries to her right knee, resulting in multiple surgeries and scaring from injuries. This claim seeks monetary damages against Board of Education and the Town of Trumbull. (Notice of claim received August 8, 2007).	Pending	ITT
4. P.F. S. LLC vs.	Platinum Funding Services LLC ("Platinum") claims the Trumbull Board of Education failed to remit payment for services rendered following notification that (Platinum") assumed, all accounts of PETCO, the original vendor the district entered an agreement with. This claim seeks monetary damages against Trumbull Board of Education and the Town of Trumbull. (Notice of claim received on 8/19/09).	Pending	Wright Company Insurance

TRUMBULL BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Dr. Cialfi

Agenda Item VII-B

Status of Negotiations

Please see reverse side for status
of negotiations with the eight
bargaining units.

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Member of Board's Negotiating Team</u>	<u>Status of Negotiations</u>
TEA (Teachers)	Attorney Floyd Dugas Dr. Gary Cialfi Mrs. Deborah Herbst Mr. Michael Ward	The TEA Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011. Negotiations for a successor Agreement have begun.
TAA (Administrators)	Attorney Floyd Dugas Mrs. Loretta Chory Mrs. Lisa Labella	The TAA Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2012.
Secretaries CILU/CIPU	Board Attorney Floyd Dugas Mr. Stephen Sirico	The Secretaries Agreement covers the period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2011.
Custodial/Maintenance	Board Attorney Floyd Dugas Mr. Stephen Sirico	The Custodial/Maintenance Agreement covers the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2010. Negotiations for a successor Agreement have begun.
Paraprofessionals CILU/UE	Board Attorney Floyd Dugas Mr. Stephen Sirico	The Paraprofessional Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011.
Cafeteria Workers	Board Attorney Floyd Dugas Lunch Manager Mr. Stephen Sirico	The Cafeteria workers Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2010. Negotiations for a successor Agreement have begun.
CILU Supervisor/ Support Staff	Board Attorney Floyd Dugas Mr. Stephen Sirico	The CILU Supervisors Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2012. The CILU Support Agreement covers the period from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011.