

**JOINT SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Concord-Carlisle School Committee  
Concord School Committee  
Ripley Building  
Concord, MA  
February 24, 2009

**Present:** Jerry Wedge, CSC; CCSC, Chair  
Peter Fischelis, CSC, Chair; CCSC  
Fabian Fondriest, CSC, Vice-Chair; CCSC  
Jan McGinn, CSC; CCSC, Vice-Chair  
Pamela Gannon, CSC; CCSC  
Dale Ryder, CCSC  
Louis Salemy, CCSC

**Present From Administration:** Diana Rigby, Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD  
John Flaherty, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD

**Student Representatives:** Marree Budris  
Blair Robinson

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. The session was called to order by Mr. Wedge for CCSC and Mr. Fischelis for CSC at 6:35 PM after Executive Session.

B. Citizens' Comments

None

C. Welcome to the Student Advisory Council – Ms. Marree Budris and Ms. Blair Robinson gave an update. Miss Saigon tickets are on sale. Performances will be February 27th & 28th and March 6th & 7th. Students are in the process of selecting courses for next year. Two new courses have been added, Organic Chemistry and China Area Studies. Fifteen French exchange students have been here from Versailles, France hosted by CCHS Students and CCHS will be sending fifteen students to Versailles during April break. A discussing is taking place to combine the two proms, Junior and Senior, into one prom. Self defense classes are being offered by the Concord Police Department and the dates are March 11th, 18th & 25th and April 1st from 6:30 – 8:45 PM.

**II. READING OF THE MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve two (2) meetings. Ms. Gannon, seconded by Ms. McGinn for the January 27, 2009 Joint Committee Meeting. Ms. McGinn, seconded by Mr. Fischelis for the February 10, 2009 Concord School Committee Meeting. Both motions were approved.

**III. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**IV. RECOGNITIONS**

A. CCHS: Model UN Awards – Mr. Badalament, Principal, CCHS introduced David Shoup and Andrea Howell. The conference was held at Columbia University in January 2009. The students won eight (8) awards including four (4) best delegate awards.

B. Six (6) CCHS seniors who graduated early (January 2009) – Madeline Bilodeau, Aline Fattori, Christopher Huyett, Lucas Prifti, Suzanne Reid, Ethan Sneider. The students have met all the requirements to graduate and will be pursuing internships and job opportunities.

C. Bonnie Hardy, Director of Food Services and CCHS cafeteria staff - Ms. Rigby recognized Ms. Hardy and the CCHS cafeteria staff for completing a successful school services review from The Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (MDESE).

## **V. REPORTS & ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION**

A. Performance by CCHS student musicians and vocalists – Mr. Scott Knopf, Director CCHS Orchestra, Ms. Deb Smith, Music Teacher and students. The vocal quartet students were Sophie Spiers, Alison Silver, Nora Evett and Brendon Taylor. Student instrumentalists were Thomas Veitch, Sonia Boor and Mei-Yee Chan.

B. FY10 Budget – Two motions were voted on.

Motion 1) Vote to increase the FY2009 operating budget for the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District \$216,290. The total budget would increase from \$21,381,332 to \$21,597,622 and \$139,060 will be reserved to reduce assessments to the member towns for the FY2010 budget proportionately. The Professional Contingency account (1-201-23402) would be increased from \$0 to \$216,290. A motion to approve motion 1 was made by Ms. Gannon and seconded by Ms. McGinn. The motion was approved.

Motion 2) Vote to reduce the FY2010 operating budget assessments for the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District from \$13,542,934 to \$13,442,936 for Concord, and for Carlisle from \$5,290,238 to \$5,251,176, and increase the FY2010 Excess & Deficiency portion of the In-District Contribution by \$139,060 to \$359,060. A motion to approve motion 2 was made by Ms. Gannon and seconded by Mr. Fondriest. The motion was approved.

C. High School Facility Planning – The Facility Planning Study will cost \$250,000 which is one third of the \$750,000 of the Capital Request for CCHS. The debt exclusion needs to be voted on both at the polls and Town Meetings in both Concord and Carlisle.

D. First Reading: No Idling Policy (CPS) – Ms. Rigby stated that in order to meet the criteria for the Massachusetts High Performance Green School Guidelines for the new Willard School we need to adopt the No Idling Policy. Signage will be posed expressly prohibiting the idling of all vehicles for more than five minutes in a school zone. Legal reference M.G.L., Chapter 90: Section 16A.

## **VI. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Vote Resolutions for Willard CHPS requirements – Two (2) motions were voted on. A motion to resolve to implement an equivalent indoor health and safety program to the EPA's Tools for Schools for School Programs for Willard School was made by Mr. Wedge and seconded by Ms. McGinn. The second motion requires Energy Star equipment and appliances for all new purchases for the school and to prohibit the purchase of low efficiency products was made by Mr. Wedge and seconded by Ms. McGinn. The motions were approved.

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

PTG Meeting was held at Thoreau. Items discussed were the budgets and the high school debt exclusion. There will be a middle school PTG bag lunch with Mr. Unobskey, Principal, CMS on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Ms. Rigby offered condolences to the family of Peter Scholten, Patten Lane, Carlisle who passed away after a brief illness on January 25, 2009. Peter attended the Campus School for Special Needs Students at Boston College.

B. February 25, 2009: CPS & CCRSD Budget Hearing @ Alcott School – Ms. Rigby and Mr. Flaherty will attend the budget hearing at Alcott on February 25, 2009 to present both budgets and capital plans.

C. March 6, 2009 - Superintendent's afternoon tea @ Alcott Library 3:30 – 5:00 PM.

D. Health Week is being held at CCHS the week of March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **IX. CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

## **X. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made from Ms. McGinn and seconded by Ms. Ryder for CCSC and a motion was made by Ms. McGinn and seconded by Ms. Gannon for CSC to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally W. Ferguson  
Approved: 03/24/2009

### Abbreviations:

CSC	Concord School Committee
CCSC	Concord-Carlisle Regional District School Committee
CPS	Concord Public Schools
CCRSD	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District
CCHS	Concord-Carlisle Regional High School
MA-CHPS	Massachusetts Collaborative for High Performance Schools
MDESE	Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education