

JOINT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Concord-Carlisle School Committee
Concord School Committee
CCHS Library
Concord, MA 01742
May 25, 2010

Present: Pam Gannon, Chair, CSC; CCSC
Maureen Spada, Vice Chair, CSC, CCSC
Fabian Fondriest, CSC, CCSC
Louis Salemy, Chair, CCSC
Jerry Wedge, CSC, CCSC
Bill Fink, CCSC

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

Absent: Peter Fischelis, Vice Chair, CCSC, CSC

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The Concord-Carlisle School Committee will enter into Executive Session and return to Open Session at approximately 6:30 PM. The session was called to order by Ms. Rigby for CCSC and Ms. Gannon for CSC at 6:40 PM. Ms. Rigby expressed her condolences to the Ryan family for their recent loss.

B. Welcome to the Student Advisory Council: Sophie Gechijian and Kati Miller. Kati introduced Emily Chen, who will be a junior and will be taking Kati's seat as a student representative next year. Kati reported that she and Emily went on the trip to Japan and said it was a great experience. Senior week activities are under way. Sophie reported that MCAS recently took place. Government elections took place and the first senate meeting took place and the new officers were introduced at the meeting.

C. Citizens' Comments

None

D. ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE

A. Seating of the Concord-Carlisle School Committee Members – CCSC. A motion was made by Ms. Gannon seconded by Mr. Wedge to recognize Peter Fischelis, Maureen Spada, Fabian Fondriest, Pamela Gannon and Jerry Wedge as Concord Members and Louis Salemy and Bill Fink as Carlisle members of the Concord-Carlisle School Committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Election of Officers of the Concord-Carlisle School Committee Members – CCSC. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon to elect Louis Salemy Chair of the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District Committee. A motion was made by Ms. Gannon seconded by Mr. Wedge to elect Peter Fischelis Vice Chair of the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District Committee. The motions were unanimously approved.

C. Appointment of a School Committee Recording Secretary – CSC/CCSC. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon to appoint Sally Ferguson to School Committee Recording Secretary. The motion was unanimously approved.

D. Appointment of a Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer – CCSC. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon to appoint John Flaherty as Treasurer of the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District and Regina Erickson as Assistant Treasurer of the Region. The motion was unanimously approved.

E. Appointment of Committee Representatives – CSC/CCSC

1. EDCO Board of Directors. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon to appoint Ms. Rigby as representative to the EDCO Board of Directors and appoint Ms. Gannon as the Concord-Carlisle School Committee representative to the EDCO Board of Directors. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Educational Collaborative of Greater Boston. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest to appoint Ms. Rigby as Concord School Committee representative and appoint Ms. Gannon as the Concord-Carlisle School Committee representative to the Educational Collaborative of Greater Boston. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Adult & Community Education Liaison. This item was postponed.

4. CASE Collaborative. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon to appoint Mr. Fink as the Concord-Carlisle School Committee representative to the CASE Collaborative and Ms. Rigby for CSC. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Suburban Coalition. This item was postponed.

Other committees that don't need to be voted on:

1. Concord Finance Committee Liaison – Ms. Gannon and Mr. Fondriest
2. Carlisle Finance Committee Liaison – Mr. Salemy
3. Building Committee – Mr. Wedge, Mr. Salemy
4. CSC/CCSC Executive Session Recording Secretary – Postponed
5. CCTV Board – Mr. Fink
6. Summary to Schools – Ms. Spada

II. READING OF THE MINUTES

JT Meeting – 4/13/2010. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2010 Joint Committee Meeting. Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest for CCSC. Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest for CPS. The motions were unanimously approved.

CPS Meeting – 5/11/10. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest for the May 11, 2010 CSC Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

III. CHAIRS REPORT

A. Mr. Salemy reported that the Carlisle Town Vote passed by a 3-1 margin for the feasibility study and schematic design for the CCHS building project. Mr. Salemy put together an email distribution list with parents K-8 and some high school students and parents to help get the word out. The Town of Concord will vote June 8, 2010.

B. Mr. Salemy stated that at the June 8, 2010 School Committee Meeting the school committee members will publicly discuss Mr. Rigby's performance review and then Ms. Gannon will write a summary of everyone's comments. At the June 22, 2010 School Committee Meeting members will meet with Ms. Rigby in executive session to present the review to Ms. Rigby.

C. Ms. Gannon reported that she wanted to reiterate to the voters to please vote on June 8, 2010. Ms. Gannon also stated that she attended the Concord Public Works Field Trip with the 8th Grade. The Concord 375th Committee asked permission for the 8th graders to be in the aerial photo depicting the number 375. It is posted on the Middle School Website. Ms. Gannon asked that members hand in their summer vacation schedules for scheduling purposes for summer workshops. The Retiree Reception was held Thursday, May 27th at Willard. Graduation is June 12, 2010 at 2:00 PM. There will be an orientation meeting held by the Finance Committee run by Tony Logalbo for new members on Town finances on August 5, 2010 at 7:30 PM. This is a useful meeting for new school committee members.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

None

V. RECOGNITIONS

A. CCHS:

- Japan Trip: Wonderful trip for 90 members of the Band – Mr. Badalament, Principal, thanked and recognized the following people Al Dentino, Music Teacher, Tom Curtin, David Nurenberg, English Teacher and

chaperones (Brian Stark, Joe McCarthy, Dan Simone, School Adjustment Counselor, Jane-Sarah MacFarlane, Library Assistant, Beatriz DesLoges, Spanish Teacher, and Sophia Rovitti, Latin Teacher).

VI. REPORTS & ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

A. Presentation on Junior State Trip – Johanna Glazer. Mr. Badalament introduced Ms. Glazer, Social Studies Teacher. Ms. Glazer, Advisor of Junior State America (JSA), stated it is a student run activity. There are three (3) conventions each year. The students gave a brief presentation.

B. Presentation on Turkmenistan Exchange – Dr. David Nurenborg gave a brief presentation on the Sister-School in Balkanabat, Turkmenistan.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Vote to approve two Foreign Exchange Students at CCHS. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fink that the Concord-Carlisle Regional School Committee vote to approve two foreign exchange students to attend CCHS in September 2010. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Vote permission to plan Sister-School Student Exchange. A motion was made by Ms. Gannon seconded by Mr. Wedge that the Concord-Carlisle Regional School Committee vote to approve two exchange students to attend CCHS and waive tuition for the two students. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Vote permission to plan student trip to Balkanabat, Turkmenistan. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon that the that the Concord-Carlisle Regional School Committee vote to approve the request to plan a trip to Balkanabat, Turkmenistan during the February break of 2011. The motion was unanimously approved.

D. Vote to approve varsity softball overnight trip. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon that the Concord-Carlisle School Committee approves the overnight varsity softball trip on May 28, 2010. The motion was unanimously approved.

E. Vote to approve School Committee Meeting Dates 2010-11. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon that the Concord and Concord-Carlisle School Committees vote to approve the School Committee Meeting Dates for 2010-2011. The motion was unanimously approved.

F. Vote to approve Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Bid Award. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fink that the Concord-Carlisle School Committee vote to award a contract for the supply of gasoline and diesel fuel to K. Burke, Inc., Chelsea, Massachusetts for a price of .2272 per gallon for ultra low sulfur diesel and a price of .2172 per gallon for gasoline. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fink for CSC. The motions were unanimously approved.

G. Gift Acceptance – Donation from Didax to Willard School. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Ms. Gannon that the Concord School Committee vote to accept the \$500 coupon and publicly thank Didax. The motion was unanimously approved.

H. Gift Acceptance – Donation of iPad to Alcott. A motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest that the Concord School Committee vote to accept the Apple iPad for Alcott's computer lab and publicly thank Adrianna Cohen. The motion was unanimously approved.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Mr. Salemy thanked and recognized Ms. Rigby, Mr. Flaherty and Mr. Wedge for the vision to move forward with the building project at CCHS.

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Community response to CCHS tragedy. Ms. Rigby thanked Mr. Badalament, Principal, and his faculty and staff for proving support to the CCHS students and community following the recent tragedy at the high school. Students have been provided with on site individual school counseling. Referrals have been made to the Eliot Center which is the Community Mental Health Center at Emerson Hospital. The CCHS Parents Association invited Dr. Nancy Rappaport, Child Psychologist, Harvard Medical School and Roberta Hertag from the Good Samaritans during the first week of May. They led a discussion on understanding and coping with loss, over 80 parents

attended the discussion. Mr. Badalament invited Dr. Larry Berkowitz from the Riverside Trauma Center who is working with the faculty on risk factors and warning signs on depression and suicide with youth. Dr. Berkowitz will continue to work with the faculty for the rest of the school year.

B. MSBA meeting on enrollment. Ms. Rigby thanked Mr. Wedge, Mr. Salemy and Mr. Flaherty for proving data to the MSBA. The enrollment number of 1250 was requested for CCHS. A response from MSBA will be expected in about 2 - 3 weeks.

x. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None

xi. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Wedge and seconded by Mr. Fondriest for CCSC and a motion was made by Mr. Wedge seconded by Mr. Fondriest for CSC to adjourn the meeting. The motions were unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally W. Ferguson
Approved: 06/22/2010

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
MSBA	Massachusetts School Building Authority