

**CONCORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Ripley Building  
Concord, MA 01742  
October 12, 2010

**Present:** Pam Gannon, Chair, CSC; CCSC  
Maureen Spada, Vice Chair, CSC, CCSC  
Peter Fischelis, CSC, CCSC  
Jerry Wedge, CSC, CCSC  
Fabian Fondriest, CSC; CCSC

**Present From Administration:** Diana Rigby, Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD  
John Flaherty, Deputy Superintendent of Finance & Operations, CPS & CCRSD  
Kathy Codianne, Director of Teaching and Learning, CPS & CCRSD

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The session was called to order by Ms. Gannon for CSC at 6:35 PM. Ms. Gannon noted that recording devices are being used to record the meeting.

A. Citizens' Comments

None

**II. READING OF THE MINUTES**

None

**III. CHAIRS REPORT**

A. Ms. Gannon stated that the EDCO Round Table meeting is being held October 13, 2010. Ms. Rigby and Mr. Flaherty will be presenting the preliminary school budgets to the Concord Finance Committee on October 14, 2010 at 7:30 pm at the Town House.

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

A. Ms. Rigby stated that she received a letter from DESE indicating that this school year the district will be scheduling the mid cycle review for Special Education. This is a process where the district confirms that they are in compliance with Special Education Laws and Regulations.

**V. RECOGNITIONS**

A. Alcott: Ms. Young, Principal, recognized Laura Driscoll, School Psychologist & Sherree Lenkarski, School Counselor for their support in the transition with back to school issues for students, parents and teachers.

B. Thoreau: Ms. Clough, Principal, recognized Mary Schafer, School Psychologist for all her hard work and dedication to the students and staff. Ms. Clough also recognized Rachel Levesque, School Social Worker for her hard work with students, staff and parents.

C. Willard: Ms. Fernandes, Principal, recognized Bev Lucas and Shirley Nazzaro, school secretaries for their help with sharing updating information with staff members and families regarding bus issues.

D. CMS: Ms. Beattie, Principal, recognized Willie Furtado and Jim Bozak, Building Supervisors, who pay an enormous amount of attention to detail and for going over and above on a daily basis. Ms. Beattie also recognized Kim Cyr, Guidance Counselor at Sanborn for her amazing ability to follow through with kids and with program needs. Catherine Paladino, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher, Peabody was recognized for her creativity in the classroom.

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

A. MCAS Presentation. Ms. Codianne, Director of Teaching and Learning, gave a presentation on the MCAS 2010 results.

B. October Enrollment Report. Ms. Rigby stated that the current enrollment as of October 12, 2010 for K-5 is 1,304. Compared to last year Willard has 65 more students, Thoreau has five (5) more students and Alcott has one (1) more student.

C. Preliminary FY12 Budget & Concord Finance Committee Report. Mr. Flaherty stated that the goal of the District is to recommend a 3% increase in the CPS Budget to the School Committee in December 2010.

D. Elementary Buildings Energy Consumption. Mr. Flaherty gave out two (2) handouts on Energy Consumption Comparison, comparing Total Therms and Total KWh by month for Alcott, Willard and Thoreau. Willard has significantly lower energy consumption than Alcott and Thoreau.

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

None

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Willard – Solar Panels. Mr. Flaherty stated that the solar panels are installed at the Willard School.

## **IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Instructional Rounds. Ms. Rigby stated that the district has been involved in Professional Development (K-12). This is related to the district wide goal of increasing professional collaboration opportunities for teachers. Six (6) teams of five (5) will go into the classrooms which will enable classroom observations of student work in math and science. A partnership has been formed with Dr. Tom Fowler-Finn, Instructional Rounds that was developed with Dr. Richard Elmore from Harvard University.

## **X. CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Wedge and seconded by Mr. Fondriest to adjourn CSC. The motion was unanimously approved and the CSC meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally W. Ferguson  
Approved: 10/26/2010

Abbreviations:

CSC	Concord School Committee
CCSC	Concord-Carlisle Regional District School Committee
CPS	Concord Public Schools
CCRS	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District
CCHS	Concord-Carlisle Regional High School
DESE	Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Addendum:

1. Concord School Committee Meeting Agenda – October 12, 2010
2. MCAS 2010 Results Handout
3. Monthly Enrollment Reports

4. CPS FY2012 Preliminary Planning Budget
5. CPS FY12-FY16 Identified Capital Needs
6. Elementary Buildings Energy Consumption Comparison Chart November 2009-May 2010 Total kWh by Month
7. Elementary Buildings Energy Consumption Comparison Chart November 2009-May 2010 Total Therms by Month
8. Report to the Concord Finance Committee
9. Instructional Rounds Plus