

STAMFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
December 7, 2011

DATE OF MEETING: December 7, 2011
PLACE OF MEETING: Room #115
KIND OF MEETING: Regular Board of Education Meeting
MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Hartwell, M. Kane, F. Santana, C. Barber Graves
OTHERS PRESENT: W. Lister, R. Ehrets, D. Bright, L. Hatch, M. Boyle, B. Link, R. Ucci, G. Link, L. Page, E. Smith, B. McLaughlin, R. Thompson, N. Lisanti, K. Mattice, C. Ehrhart, B. Blood, M. Smith, M. Petrone, Z. Foote, M. Meehan, D. Mueller, E. Hager, D. Friedmann, D. DeGregory, K. Meehan

D. Hartwell called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

D. Hartwell led with the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Hartwell introduced Mr. William Lister as the new Interim Superintendent.

M. Kane moved, seconded by F. Santana
approval of the November 9, 2011 Regular Board of Education
Meeting Minutes with the following correction:
CSE approval motions made by M. Kane and D. Hartwell.

Motion carried 4-0

Approval of November 9, 2011
Regular Board of
Education Meeting Minutes

B. Blood read the following Positive Highlights:

Kindergarten learned about the First Thanksgiving and pretended to be Pilgrims. They also shared what they were thankful for at the K-2 Celebration which ranged from water to family, to friends to Barack Obama.

Congratulations to all of the Stamford Students who participated in the Area All-State Festival!

A huge congratulation goes out to Ken Ward, Ben Bradshaw, and Adriana Baughman for the Wonderful Area All-State Music Festival at SUCO. They did a fantastic job and represented our school well.

The following students have been selected to participate in the 2012 All-County Music Festival held in Delhi on March 23 and 24, 2012:

Elementary Band - Rebecca Curless, Kevin Prior, Devon Tierney
Junior High Choir - Jade Strauss, Makayla Swart, Ashley Vasta, Kendra Mattice, Anthony Ortiz, Chad Shafer
High School Band - Adriana Baughman, Jorge Quintana, Tyler Schreurs, Emily Schultes, Rachel Voorhees

The following students recently participated in the NYSSMA Zone 8 Area All-State Festival at SUCO: Adriana Baughman, Ben Bradshaw, Ken Ward

Patty Beck has collected \$280 for the Christmas Feeling Fund through Jean Fridays.

D. Hartwell also shared that he recently attended a wonderful trip with the fourth graders to New York City.

Recognition was also given for a great Winter Concert.

F. Santana moved, seconded by M. Kane motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for Month of October 2011.

Motion carried 4-0

**Acceptance of October 2011
Treasurer's Report**

F. Santana moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves motion to accept the Claims Auditor Reports for month of October 2011.

Motion carried 4-0

**Motion to accept the October 2011
Claims Auditor Report**

F. Santana moved, seconded by M. Kane motion to approve Budget Transfer #8.

Motion carried 4-0

Approval of Budget Transfer #8

M. Kane moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to accept the Bank Reconciliations for month of October 2011.

Motion carried 4-0

**Acceptance of the October 2011
Bank Reconciliations**

F. Santana moved, seconded by M. Kane
motion to accept the October 2011 monthly Financial Report.

Motion carried 4-0

**Acceptance of the October 2011
Monthly Financial Report**

D. Bright, Business Manager reviewed the
2011-2012 Tax Collector's Summary Report and found
it to be correct in all respects. All money reported as collected
was deposited to the district's credit.

C. Barber Graves moved, seconded by M. Kane
motion to accept the 2011-2012 Tax Collectors Report Summary Report.

Motion carried 4-0

**Acceptance of the 2011-2012 Tax
Collectors Summary Report**

M. Kane moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to accept the Extra Curricular Activity
Report for the month of October 2011.

Motion carried 4-0

**Acceptance of October 2011
Extra Curricular Activity Report**

M. Patrone, Z. Foote, M. Smith, and C. Ehrart
from the Class of 2013 along with the prom advisor,
Mrs. Smith provided the Board of Education with information
regarding their request for the class be allowed to hold their prom
on the Dutch Apple Cruises on the Hudson River.

They asked the Board if they could receive an answer
by the next Board of Education meeting.

Ms. B. Blood, the Student Council Advisor presented information to the Board of Education regarding the Campaign they will be doing in January. They will be sending letters and supplies to the troops in Afghanistan. They will include the elementary students in conjunction with the Purple Proud Project. Cost for postage will be solicited from area businesses.

The Building Use Report was provided to the Board of Education members in their packets.

F. Santana read a letter from the Badurina Family thanking the Board of Education for the use of the school during their time of need.

D. Hartwell read a letter from the Stamford Teachers' Association expressing their gratitude for all of their time, effort, and personal sacrifice that they have invested over the past several months on behalf of all of the members of the school community.

M. Kane moved, seconded by F. Santana, motion to accept the November 15, 2011 results of the Special Election Vote for the Board of Education Vacant Seat for a term expiring June 30, 2014 as follows:

J. Eklund – 120

R. Foote – 54

E. Hager - 112

L. Ortiz - 28

Motion carried 4-0

**Motion to accept results of the Special Election
for the Vacant Board Member Seat**

J. Eklund received the Oath of Office.

F. Santana moved, seconded by M. Kane motion to appoint W. Lister, Interim Superintendent effective November 21, 2011 at the rate of \$475.00 per day for days actually worked. There shall be no additional compensation. This will include the following positions:

Director of Special Education, Substitute District Clerk, Title IX Officer/Section 504 Compliance Officer, School Purchasing Agent, Records Management Officer, Petty Cash Custodian, Budget Transfers on Chief School Officers Approval up to \$10,000.00, Apply for Grants, Public Law 18 Officer, CASEBP Designee, Certification of Payroll, two signatures required on checks over \$10,000.00, (excluding transfers within SCS Accounts)

Motion carried 5-0

**Appointment of W. Lister
as Interim Superintendent
effective November 21, 2011**

W. Lister received the Oath of Office.

F. Santana moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the
Interim Superintendent hereby approves the WRERA
Amendments as presented.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of WRERA
Amendments as presented**

J. Eklund moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby approves the revisions
to Petty Cash Fund Policy #4015.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of revisions
to Petty Cash Fund Policy #4015**

M. Kane moved, seconded by J. Eklund
motion to approve the purchase of an ad in the
Stamford Yearbook Voice 2012.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval to purchase
an ad in the
Stamford Yearbook Voice 2012**

M. Kane moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby accepts the parental
leave request from B. McLaughlin, first grade teacher.

Motion carried 5-0

**Acceptance of
Parental Leave Request
from B. McLaughlin**

M. Kane moved, seconded by J. Eklund
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby accepts the parental leave
request from S. Herger, Elementary Guidance Counselor.

Motion carried 5-0

**Acceptance of Parental Leave
Request from S. Herger**

M. Kane moved, seconded by J. Eklund
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby approves the following
additions to the substitute list for the 2011-2012 school year:

J. Bright* (during college breaks)
I. Knapp*
C. Lister*
K. Meehan*

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of
additions to substitute
list for the 2011-2012 school year**

*contingent upon clearance from the
State Education Department to comply
with the Fingerprinting provisions of Project Save.

F. Santana moved, seconded by J. Eklund
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby approves M. Wilson
to be paid as the accompanist for the Winter Concerts
at \$75.00 per concert.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval to pay M. Wilson
as accompanist
for Winter Concerts**

F. Santana moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby approves the Agreement
between Bassett Medical Center and Stamford Central
through December 31, 2012.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of agreement
between Bassett Medical Center
and Stamford Central School
through December 31, 2012**

F. Santana moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to approve the Drama Club to Christmas
Carol on December 23, 2011 at 5 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of the
Drama Club to
Christmas Carol
on December 23, 2011**

C. Barber Graves moved, seconded by J. Eklund
motion to approve the payment Allowance Authorization
#GC-03 to Mid-State Industries, Inc. in the amount
of \$5,198.00.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of payment
Allowance Authorization #GC-03
to Mid-State Industries, Inc. in the
amount of \$5,198.00**

C. Barber Graves moved, seconded by M. Kane
motion to approve the Final payment application #5
to Mid-State Industries in the amount of \$25,220.35.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of
Final Payment application #5
to Mid-State Industries
in the amount of \$25,220.35**

A discussion was held regarding the Auditor's recommendation for the Board of Education to establish a Reserve Funds policy. It was decided that a first reading of this policy will be presented at the January Board of Education Meeting.

F. Santana moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent hereby appoints the following Extended Day Program Aides at \$12.80 per hour for the 2011-2012 school year:

C. Brady, K. Hoffman, K. Sparkes, C. Mattice,
E. Collins, J. Adams, J. Roe.

Motion carried 5-0

**Appointment of
Extended Day Program Aides
for the 2011-2012 school year**

The Board of Education reviewed the current policies and procedures for musical instruments, and recommended that billing procedures be revised.

M. Kane moved, seconded by J. Eklund
motion to change the Board of Education Meetings to the following dates for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year:

January 11, 2012
February 8, 2012
March 7, 2012
April 4, 2012
May 9, 2012
June 13, 2012

The April Fireside Chat will be moved to April 3, 2012

Motion carried 5-0

**Motion to change
the Board of Education
Meeting Dates**

M. Kane moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to move into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.
to discuss particular personnel issues
and the CSE recommendations.

Motion carried 5-0

**Motion to move
into Executive Session**

J. Eklund moved, seconded by F. Santana
approval of the following modifications to the IEPs:

Student #710013549 - recommended one to one aide during after
school program to provide behavioral support.

Student #710100333 - recommended program is modified Math 5x38
and direct special education instruction in ELA 5x38 and RR 5 times in a
6 day cycle.

Student #710100309 – recommended 5x38 direct push in instruction in ELA,
and resource room 5 times out of a 6 day cycle for 38 minutes each time.

Student #710100427 - Testing modifications and program modifications were
added back into IEP that were previously taken out last year without parental
approval.

Student #710013490 – Added in test modifications location with minimal
distractions and time and a half to complete test. Changed counseling to 1
day out of 6 day cycle.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of
Modifications to IEP's**

M. Kane moved, seconded by J. Eklund
motion to move out of Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0

**Motion to move
out of Executive Session**

F. Santana moved, seconded by M. Kane
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of
the Interim Superintendent hereby appoints
M. Ballard as an Administrative Assistant/
Substitute Receptionist to be paid out of Title IX at a rate of
\$100.00 per day effective November 21, 2011.

Motion carried 5-0

**Appointment of M. Ballard as
Administrative Assistant/Substitute Receptionist**

J. Eklund moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to approve the revisions to the Flexible Spending Plan.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of the revisions to the
Flexible Spending Plan**

J. Eklund moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
motion to support the year end forfeitures of employee account
balances in the Flex Medical Spending Account based on
IRS Revenue Code 125, and no documented requests for extenuating
circumstances in the July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 window.

Motion carried 5-0

**Motion to support year end employee
forfeitures of employee account balances
in the Flex Medical Spending Account**

J. Eklund moved, seconded by C. Barber Graves
approval for the Junior Prom to be held at the Dutch
Apple Cruises as described:

At the expense of the class treasury, a Stamford Central School bus
will be provided for transportation to and from the prom for all students
who need transportation. All students attending the prom will have
breathalyzer taken as they enter the prom boat.

Motion carried 5-0

**Approval of Junior
Class Prom to be held
at the Dutch Apple Cruises**

M. Kane moved, seconded by F. Santana
motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education
Meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0

**Motion to adjourn the
Regular Board of Education Meeting**

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurel Hatch,
District Clerk