

COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Colchester High School Library

Tuesday, May 5, 2009
7:00 p.m. (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 in the Colchester High School Library. Those in attendance were: Chair: Dirk Reith; Directors: Mike Rogers, Dick Pecor, Paul Smith, Steve Chamberlain; Superintendent, Larry Waters; Business and Operations Manager, George A. Trieb, Jr.; Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Gwen Carmolli; Director of Special Education, Carrie Lutz; Principals: Carolyn Dickinson, Barbara Nason, Jim Marshall, Chris Antonicci; Director of Student Support Services, Jean Shea and Student School Board Member Lindsey LaCross. There were 7 people in the audience.

I. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Dirk Reith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Act on Minutes of April 14, & 28, 2009

Director Pecor moved, seconded by Director Chamberlain to approve the minutes of April 14th and 28th. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Citizen Participation

No members from the audience spoke.

IV. School Board Communication, Committee Reports, Correspondence

Sue Deppe from the Colchester Energy Task Force spoke about an ARRA grant opportunity for the town of Colchester in the amount of \$71.2K. After meeting with the Select Board, it was suggested that Sue meet with the School Board to see if they would be interested in a new hybrid driver's education car. Sue briefed the board on the opportunity and the timing of the grant. The board agreed this was a good opportunity and expressed its gratitude. Sue will return to the Select Board and begin preparing the grant, which is due by June 25th.

V. Hear Auditor's Report from Sullivan Powers

Fred Duplessis, from Sullivan, Powers & Company, gave a short presentation to the board regarding the audit results for the FY'08 financial statements. The district is in good financial shape with adequate controls and procedures in place. Recommendations were to develop and adopt a code of ethics and an investment policy.

VI. Hear and Discuss School Land Use for Police Building

Members of the Select Board, the Town Manager and the Chief of Police were all in attendance to discuss the idea of building a new police station on the land between the

Central Office and Blakely Road. Superintendent Larry Waters initiated the conversation by pointing out the potential advantages of permitting the station to be built on this land. A lengthy discussion followed. School Board Chair Reith moved, seconded by Director Rogers to allow the Town to further explore this idea with the intent being that the School District would lease the land to the Town. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Quarterly Financial Report for March 2009

Business and Operations Manager George Trieb, provided the board with the financial results for the period ending March 2009. Trieb stated that if current trends continued, the district would end up in the black with revenue slightly exceeding budget and expenditures being marginally less than budget. This would result in a surplus or fund balance.

VIII. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)

Superintendent Larry Waters gave a brief overview of the potential uses of the ARRA stimulus money. Waters explained to the board that more details would follow as things further developed.

IX. Hear and Act on First Reading of Student Attendance Policy

Superintendent Larry Waters reviewed the revised student attendance policy (1st reading). A brief discussion followed. Director Smith moved, seconded by School Board Chair Reith to approve the first reading as presented with a couple of minor editorial changes. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Act on Personnel Consent Agenda

Personnel Consent Agenda

Dated: May 5, 2009

ADMINISTRATOR

NEW HIRES:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>FTE Change</u>	<u>Person Replacing</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
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RESIGNATIONS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
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LEAVE REQUEST:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>
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TEACHER

NEW HIRES:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>FTE Change</u>	<u>Person Replacing</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
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RESIGNATIONS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Admin Support</u>
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Mona Tapia	Elementary Teacher	PPS	6/30/2009	Yes
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Courtney Hall	Physical Education Teacher	MBS	6/30/2009	Yes
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NON-RENEWAL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
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CHANGE IN FULL TIME EQUIVALENCY:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>FTE Change</u>	<u>Person Replacing</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
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LEAVE REQUEST:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Admin Support</u>
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SUPPORT STAFF INFORMATION

NEW HIRES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Hours Change</u>	<u>Person Replacing</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
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RESIGNATIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>
Jonathan Paine	Instructional Assistant	CMS

TERMINATIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>
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LEAVE REQUEST:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Admin Support</u>
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CO-CURRICULAR

CONTRACT OFFER:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>
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RESIGNATIONS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>
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POSITION DESCRIPTION(S)

Director Smith moved, seconded by Director Rogers to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda.
Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Hear Possible Future Agenda Items

XII. Adjourn

Director Smith moved, seconded by Director Pecor to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

George Trieb
Business and Operations Manager

Paul Smith
Board Clerk