COLCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting Colchester High School Media Center Tuesday, March 13, 2012 7:00 p.m. (General Session)

The Colchester Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 in the Colchester High School Media Center. Those in attendance were: Board Chair, Dirk Reith; Directors: Steve Cormier, Dick Pecor, and Mike Rogers. Superintendent, Larry Waters; Business and Operations Manager, George Trieb; Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Gwen Carmolli; Director of Special Education, Carrie Lutz. Principals: Julie Benay, Dawn Gruss, Jim Marshall, and Chris Antonicci. Absent: Student Board Member Emily Berry, Director Christine Shepard and CHS Principal Amy Minor. There were 2 students in attendance.

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Dirk Reith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Chair Dirk Reith led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Reorganization: Election of Officers

Superintendent Larry Waters accepted the nomination of Dirk Reith as Board Chairman from Director Dick Pecor, seconded by Director Steve Cormier. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Chair Dirk Reith nominated Dick Pecor as Vice Chairman, seconded by Director Steve Cormier. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Chairman Dirk Reith nominated Steve Cormier as Board Clerk, seconded by Director Dick Pecor. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes: February 21, 2012

Director Steve Cormier moved to approve the minutes for February 21, 2012, seconded by Director Mike Rogers. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Citizen Participation

None.

VI. School Board Communication, Committee Reports & Correspondence

The Board welcomed their newest member, Mike Rogers.

The Colchester Sun was designated as the official newspaper for the district for legal notices.

Fred Duplessis, auditor from Sullivan, Powers & Co. gave the board a brief overview of the FY'11 audit and financial overview.

VII. Teacher Contract Renewal Process and Recommendations

Superintendent Larry Waters presented information on the teacher contract renewal process and recommendations.

Chairman Dirk Reith moved to accept and approve the recommendation to renew contracts for teachers for the 2012-2013 school year, second by Director Dick Pecor. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Hear and Act on Third Reading of Bullying Prevention Policy

Superintendent Waters presented the third reading of the Bullying Prevention Policy. As there were no changes from the second reading, he recommends the board accept this as a final reading.

Chairman Dirk Reith moved to accept and adopt the Bullying Prevention Policy as presented, seconded by Director Dick Pecor. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Hear and Act on Second Reading of Prevention of Harassment of Students Policy

Superintendent Waters presented the second reading of the Prevention of Harassment of Students Policy. He recommends the policy come back to the board for a third reading.

Director Steve Cormier moved to approve the Second Reading of Prevention of Harassment of Students Policy, seconded by Director Mike Rogers. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Personnel Consent Agenda

Superintendent Waters presented the following consent agenda:

	PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA											
Board Date: March 13, 2012												
Board Date	Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	FTE/Hours	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Rationale	Admin Support	
03/13/12	Administrator	Peter	Memoli	End of Employment	Assistant Principal	1.0 FTE	CHS	Approval for End of Employment			Yes	
03/13/12	Support Staff	Megan	Calla	New Hire	Behavior Interventionist	32.5 hrs	PPS	Notice of Hire Approval for End of	New Position	Student Need	Yes	
03/13/12	Teacher	Constance	Cummings	End of Employment	Elementary Teacher	1.0 FTE	PPS	Employment Approval for End of			Yes	
03/13/12	Teacher	Trisha	Powsner	End of Employment	Elementary Teacher	1.0 FTE	MBS	Employment			Yes	
03/13/12	Teacher	Elizabeth	Sato	New Hire	Long-Term Substitute - 5th Grade	1.0 FTE	MBS	Approval for hire	Trish Powsner		Yes	

Director Steve Cormier moved to approve the personnel consent agenda for March 13, 2012, seconded by Director Mike Rogers. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Harassment Policy
- Action Plans K-12
- New Approach to Drug Policy Violations
- Andros Field Trip for 2013
- Budget for FY'13
- Report on School Quality Standards

XII. Executive Session: Discuss Negotiations and a Personnel Matter

Director Steve Cormier moved, seconded by Director Mike Rogers, to adjourn general session and move to executive session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss support staff negotiations and a personnel matter. Motion passed unanimously.

Director Mike Rogers moved, second by Director Dick Pecor, to exit executive session at 8:29 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Adjournment

Director Mike Rogers moved, seconded by Director Dick Pecor to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder:

Board Clerk:

Cathy Ward

Steve Cormier Board Clerk