

HAMDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019 MINUTES

Christopher Daur, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Board Members: Christopher Daur, Myron W. Hul, Lynn Campo, Melissa Kaplan, Gail Mitchell, Vic Mitchell, Walter Morton IV., Arturo Perez-Cabello (7:15 P.M.).

Board Member Absent: Melinda Saller

Student Representative Absent: Mariam Khan and Vincent Palumbo

Staff: Jody Goeler, Michael Belden, Gary Highsmith (7:38 P.M.) and Karen Kaplan

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD RECOGNITION

The Superintendent introduced and recognized this month's recipients of the Hamden Heroes Award from Hamden High School, Alice Peck, Hamden Middle School, and Spring Glen:

Sidhartha Singla (Hamden High School student)

Charlene Conti (Alice Peck staff),

Jay Cebula and Joan Landino (Hamden Middle School staff), Melvin Campbell and Francis Moran (Hamden Middle School students),

Nancy Macgregor (Spring Glen School staff) and Leo Slattery (Spring Glen School student)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Move to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2019 Board of Education meeting.

Hul

Seconded by: Morton IV

Unanimous

2. Move to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2019 Board of Education special meeting.

Hul

Seconded by: Morton IV

In Favor: Campo, Daur, Kaplan, Morton and Perez-Cabello

Abstain: Myron W. Hul, G. Mitchell, and V. Mitchell

MOTION PASSES

CORRESPONDENCE

Myron W. Hul reviewed the correspondence received since the last meeting.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

There were no Public Comments on Action Items.

REMOVAL OF ITEM FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Christopher Daur removed from the consent agenda 7.A.1. Approval of two additional goals.

ACTION ITEMS CONSENT AGENDA

3. Move to accept the Consent Agenda.

V. Mitchell

Seconded by: Morton IV.

Unanimous

- a) Approval of round 2 Low-Performing Schools Bond Funding Common Application (Operations Committee, February 5, 2019).
- b) Approval of a building usage request from Arundani Natyalaya Dance School to use the auditorium and cafeteria at Hamden Middle School on June 22, 2019 for a dance recital (Operations Committee, February 5, 2019).
- Approval of a building usage request from the Quinnipiac Dance Company to use the auditorium at Hamden High School on May 4, 2019 for a dance showcase (Operations Committee, February 5, 2019).
- d) Approval of a building usage request from Cheshire Dance Centre to use the auditorium and C-107 at Hamden High School on June 14, 15, 2019 for a dance recital (Operations Committee, February 5, 2019).
- e) Approval of a field trip for Hamden High students to travel to Costa Rica, South American for Global Awareness April 11-20, 2019 (Curriculum Committee, February 6, 2019)
- f) Approval of a field trip for students in the Hamden Middle School Navigator Program to travel to Mystic Seaport, Mystic, CT – May 16-17,2019 (Curriculum Committee, February 6, 2019)
- g) Approval of a building usage request from I40E Local 478 to use the auditorium at Hamden Middle School on April 12, 2019 for contract ratification (Operations Committee, March 5, 2019)
- h) Approval of a building usage request from Mount Mariah Tabernacle of Praise to use the auditorium and 7 classrooms at Hamden Middle

School on June 29, 2019 for a fashion showcase (Operations Committee, March 5, 2019)

 i) Approval to continue providing transportation to the Keefe Community Center site after school from Hamden Public Schools at no cost (Operations Committee, March 5, 2019)

PENDING ACTION

4. Move to approve the 2019-20 Board of Education calendar.

G. Mitchell

Seconded by: Campo

Unanimous

5. Move to approve the budget transfers as presented at the Finance Committee meeting on March 11, 2019 and listed below:

From: Transportation – Public (510) \$175,000
To: Transportation – Other SPED (513) \$175,000
From: Teacher Salaries (114) \$75,000
To: Homebound Tutors (115) \$75,000

Hul

Seconded by: Campo

Unanimous

6. Move to approve Hamden High School students to travel to Virginia for the Black and Hispanic Student Union College Tour – April 11-12, 2019

Perez-Cabello

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

Unanimous

7. Move to approve Hamden Middle School students to travel to The Museum of Science in Boston, MA – May 23, 2019

G. Mitchell

Seconded by: Morton IV

Unanimous

8. Move to approve Hamden High School DECA students to travel to Orlando, FL to compete internationally – April 26-May1, 2019

Campo

Seconded by: Morton IV

Unanimous

9. Move to approve of a building usage request from Ridge Hill Civic Association to use the Ridge Hill School cafeteria for a meeting on March 14, 2019

V. Mitchell

Seconded by: Perez-Cabello

Unanimous

10. Move to approve to accept the donation of a cell culture incubator from Thermofisher Scientific

Morton IV

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

Unanimous

11. Move to approve of the 2019-20 Board of Education operating budget in the amount of \$90,139,550

Hul

Seconded by: Kaplan

Unanimous

12. Move to approve ad-hoc Equity Committee of the Board of Education

Daur

Seconded by: Pere-Cabello

Move to table.

Daur

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

Unanimous

13. Move to approve of revisions to Hamden BOE Policy #3513.1 Energy Conservation (Policy Committee, February 26, 2019) – first reading Perez-Cabello

Seconded by: V. Mitchell

Unanimous

14. Move to approve of revisions to Hamden BOE Policy #4111 Recruitment and Selection (Certified and Non-Certified Personnel) (Policy Committee, February 26, 2019) – first reading

G. Mitchell

Seconded by: Campo

Unanimous

15. Move to approve of revisions to Hamden BOE Policy #6161.1 Evaluation/Selection of Instructional Materials (Policy Committee, February 26,

2019) – first reading

G. Mitchell

Seconded by: Campo

Unanimous

16. Move to approve of revisions to Hamden BOE Policy #6161.12 Free to Learn/Library Bill of Rights (Policy Committee, February 26, 2019) – first reading G. Mitchell

Seconded by: Campo

Unanimous

17. Move to approve of revisions to Hamden BOE Policy #6146 Graduation Requirements (Policy Committee, February 26, 2019) – first reading Kaplan

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

Unanimous

18. Move to approval of two additional goals:

Goal 4: Increase Equity districtwide

Goal 5: Increase achievement in grades 9-12 (Goals and Evaluation Committee, January 22, 2019)

Campo

Seconded by: Morton IV

Unanimous

19. Move to remove from table – Approval of Ad Hoc Equity Committee.

Daur

Morton, IV.

Unanimous

Move to approve Ad-hoc Equity committee of the Board of Education

Daur

Seconded by: Morton IV

Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no comments during Public Comments.

INFORMATION ITEMS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent updated the board about the work he and the core team have been doing in regards to Goals 1-3.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee – Committee Member, Melissa Kaplan, reported on the activities of the committee.

ACES/WINTERGREEN – Committee Chair, Lynn Campo reported on the activities of the committee.

Operations Committee – Committee Chair, Vic Mitchell, reported on the activities of the committee.

Finance Committee – Committee Chair, Myron W. Hul, reported on the activities of the committee.

Personnel Committee - Committee Chair, Walter Morton, IV. reported on the

activities of the committee.

Policy Committee – Committee Chair, Arturo Perez-Cabello, reported on the activities of the committee.

Evaluation and Goals Committee – Committee Chair, Lynn Campo, spoke about the goals.

COMMENTS FROM PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following person spoke: Lauren Garrett.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following Board members spoke: Hul, Perez-Cabello and Campo.

ADJOURNMENT

20. Move to adjourn at 10:22 P.M. Morton, IV. Seconded by: G. Mitchell Unanimous

Respectfully submitted, Myron W. Hul, Board Secretary