

**PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

May 11, 2016 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Audrey Lemieux, Christi Haskell, Mike Cartier, Cindy Arpin, Kathleen Barry, Peter Migneault, Steve Boettcher, Kenneth Di Pietro, Superintendent; Ronald Lussier, Business Manager; Tammy St. Amour, Recorder; Student Representatives; Arrianna Landry & Haylie Bergeron

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Ms. Haskell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **ROLL CALL (taken silently by Board secretary)**
3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION: Ms. Lemieux moved to approve the consent agenda.

SECOND: Mr. Cartier

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Minutes of the Meeting of April 13, 2016.
- B. Record of the Expulsion Hearing of May 3, 2016.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. CABE Student Leadership Awards: Mr. Gagnon introduced two of his students that received the CABE Student Leadership Awards this year. The recipients were: Ryley Meyers and Matthew Bamber.
- B. Discovery Presentation to Legislators: Ms. Haskell said that they had the opportunity to bring the Discovery Bus to the State Capitol in Hartford. It was presented to the legislators so that they could tour the bus and learn about its mission. While at the Capitol, the Discovery Bus also received a donation of 1500 books from Nora's Light.

5. **PERSONNEL:**

- A. Resignations, Non-Renewals & Appointments: A letter of resignation was received by Brandon Nichols, PHS Visual Communications Teacher, and effective April 26, 2016.

MOTION: Mr. Cartier moved to accept the letter of resignation from Mr. Nichols with an effective date of April 26, 2016.

SECOND: Ms. Lemieux

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

Mr. Di Pietro introduced Mr. Christopher Bailey to the Board. Mr. Bailey has been hired to fill the vacant Special Education position at Plainfield High School.

MOTION: Ms. Barry moved to approve the appointment of Christopher Bailey to the special education position at Plainfield High School.

SECOND: Ms. Lemieux

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC FORUM:

- A. All Day K Presentation: Ms. Tina Champagne spoke to the Board to review the All Day Kindergarten Program that was instituted this year. Ms. Champagne showed a video of a typical day for the students. She closed by have four of her students read to the Board to show how much they learned this year.
- B. Public Forum/Agenda Items: Mr. Worth spoke to thank Mr. Jim Langlois for stepping into the special education class at PHS to keep services going for the students while a search for a new teacher took place. He also expressed gratitude to Janet Harmon for filling in at PHS while the social worker is on medical leave.
- C. Student Liaisons: Haylie Bergeron, PCS Student Representative, said that International Day before Spring Break was very good. The transition for incoming 6th grade students has begun. Upcoming events include the 8th grade Dinner Dance, Recognition Breakfast and the 8th grade trip to Boston.

Arrianna Landry spoke for the high school and informed the board that the production of the Addams Family production was a huge success. The PHS Invitation Track Meet went very well and the National Honor Society inductions will be on May 26th. The Junior Prom will be held on Saturday and the Senior Ball will be on June 10th.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Monthly Budget Report & Facilities Update: Mr. Lussier stated that the budget is currently on target for the end of the year. There are some issues with utilities and special education, however, there are other areas of the budget that are under run to make up that deficit.

Facilities: Mr. Lussier stated that there are no issues with the buildings. He did mention that the annex building is now empty of all garbage.

- B. Budget Transfers: Mr. Lussier said that the transfers will have very little effect on student needs. Most of the money will be transferred from the salaries and utilities accounts.

- C. Bond/Building Committee: Mr. Lussier said that on April 19th the State Dept. submitted the letter allowing the building committee to go out to bid for the roof repairs and the PCB abatement at Moosup Elementary. The bids are due to the Town Hall by May 20th.
- D. Report on Town Budget Meeting: When the State Dept. determined what the funding would be for each municipality, the Board of Finance met to set the mil rate for next fiscal year. It is set to be at .69 increase.
- E. Policies:

Prev. Policy #	Title of Policy	Recommendation	New Policy #
6001	Educational Goal Statement (to replace current 6001)	New Second Read	6010
6003	School Ceremonies and Observances	Revision	6115
6005	Aids Education	Revision	6164.2
6010	Instructional Materials	Revision	6161
6012	New Courses/Programs	Revision	6161.3
6015	Textbook Selection and Adoption	Revision	6161.2
6017	Library Materials Selection and Adoption	Revision	6161.4
6022	Special Interest Instructional Materials	Revision	6161.5
8001	School-Family-Community Partnerships	Revision	1001

MOTION: Ms. Lemieux moved to approve the Second Reading and revisions of the above policies.

SECOND: Ms. Barry

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

- F. Annex Clean Up: As Mr. Lussier previously mentioned, the annex building is now empty and clean. It will be able to be used for storage of items that are useful to the district.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Grant Report: Mr. Di Pietro provided information regarding grant money from Nellie Mae. He said that they are looking to provide districts with money to engage the public and staff with strategic planning. He noted that we are one of six districts that they are considering for the funding.
- B. TEAM Approvals: Mrs. Cadro said that the following two teachers are willing to take part in the training to be a TEAM mentor:

Kristen Brindamore
Carolyn Holmy

MOTION: Ms. Barry moved to approve the applications of Kristen Brindamore and Carolyn Holmy to take part in the TEAM training.

SECOND: Ms. Lemieux

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

C. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Di Pietro quickly reviewed the end of the year calendar with the members of the Board. He also provided a hard copy of the activities that are scheduled between now and the end of the school year.

9. COMMITTEE AND INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

The Policy Committee will meet on May 24th.

Ms. Haskell congratulated the Drama Dept. on their production of the Addams Family and Ms. Arpin said that she attended the Invitational Track meet at PHS and was wonderful.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Lemieux moved to adjourn at 8:26 p.m.

SECOND: Mr. Cartier

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy St. Amour
Recorder