ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION ENFIELD, CONNECTICUT

Time-Place:

Council Chambers 820 Enfield Street Enfield, CT 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

Date: 01/26/16

- 2. Invocation or Moment of Silence Vincent Grady
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance Vincent Grady
- 4. Fire Evacuation Announcement
- 5. Roll Call
- 6. Board Guest(s)
 - a. EHS Building Committee Leadership
- 7. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Student Representatives
 - b. February Events
 - c. Grants Report
 - d. Personnel Report
- 8. Audiences
- 9. Board Members' Comments
- 10. Unfinished Business
 - a. Transition Update
- 11. New Business
 - a. 2016-17 School Calendar Discussion
 - b. Fermi High School Building Use Decision Timeline Discussion
 - c. FY2016-17 Budget Discussion and action if any
- 12. Board Committee Reports
 - a. Building Committee
 - b. Curriculum Committee
 - c. Finance Committee
- 13. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes January 12, 2016
- 14. Approval of Accounts and Payroll
 - a. For the Months of July, August, September, October, November & December 2016
 - b. Line Item Transfers, if any
- 15. Correspondence and Communications
- 16. Audiences
- 17. Executive Session
- 18. Adjournment



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Date:

January 26, 2016

To:

Enfield Board of Education

From:

Dr. Jeffrey A. Schumann

Re:

Superintendent's Report

- **a.** Student Representative Report(s): Enclosed in your packet, you will find a report from both BOE Student Representatives regarding events/happenings at their respective high schools. Student Representatives may have some additional information or comments to share with Board members.
- **b.** <u>February Events</u>: Listed below are some of the events that are happening during the month of February:
 - Whitney Elementary Instrumental Concert will be held on February 3rd at 6:30 PM in the APR;
 - John F. Kennedy Band & Orchestra Concert will be held on February 4th @ 7:00
 PM in the Auditorium;
 - K-5 Movie Night will be held on February 5th @ 6:30 PM in the Enrico Fermi Auditorium;
 - Grade 5 Open House Night for Incoming Grade 6 Students will be held on February 11th and 16th @ 6:00 PM at John F. Kennedy;
 - Heritage Fair will be held on February 20th @ 11:30 AM at John F. Kennedy;
 - Interschool Elementary Concert will be held on February 25th @ 7:00 PM in the John F. Kennedy Auditorium;
 - Fermi Jazz Festival will be held on February 27th @ 9:00 AM in the Auditorium.
- C. <u>Grants Report</u>: The Grant Report for January 2016 is enclosed for your review.
- **D.** <u>Personnel Report</u>: The Personnel Report for January 2016 is also enclosed for your review.



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Date:

January 26, 2016

To:

Enfield Board of Education

From:

Dr. Jeffrey A. Schumann

Re:

Transition Update

At this time, I will update the Board regarding the Enrico Fermi/Enfield transition.



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Date:

January 26, 2016

To:

Enfield Board of Education

From:

Dr. Jeffrey A. Schumann

Re:

2016-17 School Calendar Discussion

Enclosed in your packets is a DRAFT version of the 2016-17 School Calendar. As the Board may recall, the CREC Regional Calendar Committee has developed a common calendar for all schools to follow in Connecticut.

Enclosed is a copy of Board Policy #6111 School Calendar(s). The Board needs to adopt the school calendar by the end of February. At this time, I will review the proposed calendar recommendations with the Board.



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Date:

January 26, 2016

To:

Enfield Board of Education

From:

Dr. Jeffrey A. Schumann

Re:

Fermi High School Building Use Decision Timeline Discussion

At the last Board of Education Meeting, the Board created a High School Consolidation Advisory Committee. This committee will be comprised of (2) two Republican and (2) two Democratic Board Members and (1) one Town Council Member. Members of the Board Leadership Committee will appoint the members to this temporary standing committee.

Chairman Sirard will continue the discussion regarding Enrico Fermi building use decision and timeline.



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Date:

January 26, 2016

To:

Enfield Board of Education

From:

Dr. Jeffrey A. Schumann

Re:

FY2016-17 Budget Discussion and Action if any

The Proposed FY2016-17 Budget was presented to the Board at the last meeting. The proposed budget has been placed on our website for public viewing. Mr. Drezek and I can address any questions from the Board at this time.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriately regarding the 2016-17 Budget.



EHS/FHS Student Representative Reports - January 26, 2016

Enfield High & Enrico Fermi High School:

- FHS/EHS Midyear Exams will be held on January 26, 27, 28 & 29.

Monday, January 25			Game Time	Bus Time
HOME				
TRI-TOWN	@	ICE HOCKEY (Enfield Twin Rinks)	2:50 P.M.	
SOMERS (JV)	@	EHS G. BASKETBALL (Fermi High)	5:30 P.M.	
SOMERS (Varsity)	@	EHS G. BASKETBALL (Fermi High)	7:00 P.M.	
Away				
Tuesday, January 26				
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CONARD (JV)	@	FERMI GIRLS BASKETBALL	5:30 P.M.	
CONARD (Varsity)	@	FERMI GIRLS BASKETBALL	7:00 P.M.	
<u>Away</u>				
Enfield Boys Basketball	@	Somers High School (JV)	5:30 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
Enfield Boys Basketball	@	Somers High School (Varsity)	7:00 P.M.	
Fermi Boys Basketball	@	Southington High School (JV)	5:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.
Fermi Boys Basketball	@	Southington High School (Varsity)	7:00 P.M.	
Wednesday, January 27				
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M.S. OF PLAINVILLE	@	JFK BOYS BASKETBALL	3:45 P.M.	
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JFK Girls Basketball	@	Middle School of Plainville	3:45 P.M.	2:30 P.M.
Enfield Boys Basketball	@	Public Safety Academy (JV)	5:30 P.M.	4:15 P.M.
Enfield Boys Basketball	@	Public Safety Academy (Varsity)	7:00 P.M.	
Enfield Wrestling	@	Suffield High School	6:00 P.M.	4:30 P.M.
Fermi Wrestling	@	Windsor High School	6:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
Thursday, January 28				
<u>HOME</u>				
CLASSICAL MAGNET –JV	@	EHS BOYS BASKETBALL (Fermi High)	5:30 P.M.	
CLASSICAL MAGNET - V	@	EHS BOYS BASKETBALL (Fermi High)	7:00 P.M.	-
Away				
Friday, January 29				
HOME				
WINDSOR LOCKS M.S.	@	JFK GIRLS BASKETBALL	3:45 P.M.	
E.O. SMITH	@	FERMI GIRLS BASKETBALL (JV)	5:30 P.M.	
E.O. SMITH	@	FERMI GIRLS BASKETBALL (V)	7:00 P.M.	

Away				
JFK Boys Basketball	@	Windsor Locks Middle School	3:45 P.M.	2:30 P.M.
Fermi Boys Basketball	@	E.O. Smith High School (JV)	5:15 P.M.	3:30 P.M.
Fermi Boys Basketball	@	E.O. Smith High School (Varsity)	7:00 P.M.	
Enfield Girls Basketball	@	Classical Magnet High School (JV)	5:30 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
Enfield Girls Basketball	@	Classical Magnet High School (Var.)	7:00 P.M.	
Saturday, January 30				
HOME				
TOLLAND (JV)	@	FERMI BOYS BASKETBALL	4:15 P.M.	
TOLLAND (Varsity)	@	FERMI BOYS BASKETBALL	6:00 P.M.	
Away				
Fermi Indoor Track	@	CCC Tournament (Floyd Little Center)	9:00 A.M.	7:00 A.M.
Enfield & Fermi Wrestling	@	Portland Highland Tournament	9:00 A.M.	6:45 A.M.
Ice Hockey	@	Newington Ice Arena	8:30 P.M.	6:40 P.M.
Sunday, January 31		NO PRACTICE OR GAMES SCHEDULED		

Item #7c.

ENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FY 2016 GRANTS - JANUARY

	Applied For	Awarded	Date Submitted	Approval Date
		400 504 00	1/0/0045	0/05/0045
Adult Education - (Grant Portion)	192,584.00	192,584.00	4/9/2015	8/25/2015
Adult Education - Cooperative	60,404.00	60,404.00	4/9/2015	8/25/2015
Adult Eduation Program Improvement Project	70,000.00	70,000.00	5/18/2015	9/11/2015
Perkins	63,585.00	66,532.00	5/15/2015	10/21/2015
Sheff Open Choice	41,150.00	41,150.00	4/30/2015	6/21/2015
Open Choice Magnet School (from PSIS Report- 75 students)	-	228,000.00	-	Pending
Head Start State Grants (Enhancement, Extended Services, Early Link)	137,838.00	134,943.00	4/14/2015	8/17/2015
Head Start Federal Grants (FY 3/1/15 - 2/28/16)	824,234.00	824,234.00	10/28/2014	2/18/2015
Title I Entitlement	_	841,247.00	11/9/2015	12/8/2015
Title II Entitlement	-	127,363.00	11/9/2015	12/8/2015
Title III Entitlement	-	14,196.00	10/20/2015	1/7/2016
IDEA Section 611, Special Education Assistance (FY 07/01/15-06/30/17)	1,227,774.00	1,227,774.00	5/8/2015	7/1/2015
IDEA Section 619, Preschool Education (FY 07/01/15-06/30/17)	50,080.00	50,080.00	5/8/2015	7/1/2015
Smart Start Grant- Operations	130,000.00	100,000.00	12/19/2014	7/14/2015
Smart Start Grant-Capital Improvements	150,000.00	150,000.00	12/19/2014	5/14/2015
PegPetia Grant	125,391.00	115,366.00	3/6/2015	6/9/2015
District Technology Upgrades to Support Transition to the New Standards	112,606.00	=	7/17/2015	Pending
LEGO Community Fund US Inc	44,000.00	21,000.00	6/1/2015	11/18/2015
Parent Leadership	28,186.00	24,466.90	8/6/2015	1/4/2016
TOTAL	3,257,832.00	4,289,339.90		

Notes:

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL MATTERS NOVEMBER 25, 2015 THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2016

RETIREMENTS:

NAME	<u>рон</u>	EFFECTIVE DATE	POSITION / LOCATION	REASON
Jacquelin Barry	09/01/61	06/30/16	Academic Support / H Memorial	Retirement
Carol Stone	09/01/99	06/30/16	Business / Enfield High	Retirement

NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL MATTERS NOVEMBER 25, 2015 THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2016

NO PERSONNEL CHANGES

Enfield Public Schools 2016/17 **DRAFT School Calendar**

School Closing Hotline - 860-253-5170

Website - www.enfieldschools.org

Professional Learning Days

August 30 - Staff Convocation

August 31 September 1

November 8 February 21

Prof. Learning Community

Mtg. & Early Rel w/Lunch

September 28 October 26 December 14 January 25 Color Code March 29 Full Day PL April 26 Half Day PL May 31 Elem. Conf.

AUGUST - 0 Days									
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30 Staff Convocation Day - NS

31 Professional Learning Day - NS

SEPTEMBER - 19 Days								
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<1> Professional Learning Day - NS

OCTOBER - 20 Days									
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[10] Columbus Day Observed - NS 26> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL

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27	28	29	30			

<8> Election Day & Staff PL - NS

<11> Veteran's Day - NS

14 & 16 - K-5 Evening Elementary Conf.

15>&17> 6-12 Early Rel & Staff PL

15>&17> K-5 Early Rel. Day - Elem. Conf.

29 - 6-8 Evening Conferences

30 - 6-8 Afternoon Conferences

30 - 9-12 Evening Conferences

[24-25] Thanksgiving Break - NS

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14> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL [26-30] Christmas Vacation - NS

MARCH - 23 Days

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29> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL

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*Early Release Days without Lunch

Regular School Hours

9:05 - 3:31 - SELC 8:55 - 3:21 - K-2

90 Minute Delay Hours

10:35 - 3:31 - SELC

10:25 - 3:21 - K-2

10:05 - 3:01 - 3-5

9:13 - 2:31 - 6-8

8:56 - 2:02 - 9-12

90 Minute Delay Head Start Reg. Program - 11:00 -1:00 PM Ext. Day - Use 90 Min. Delay

90 Minute Delay - Pre-K AM-Pre-K - Cancelled PM-Pre-K - 12:20 - 2:50 PM

Early Release Days with Lunch

8:35 - 3:01 - 3-5 7:43 - 2:31 - 6-8 7:26 - 2:02 - 9-12

10:55 - Head Start 11:10 - AM Pre-K

2:00 - SELC 1:50 - K-2

1:30 - 3-5

12:20 - 9-12

12:55 - 6-8

Last Two Days of School:

The last two days of school will be Early Release Days with lunch for grades K-8. The last day of school is subject to change due to school cancellations.

Firm Graduation Dates: EHS: (June 19th) 185th Day

Note: In the event that school closings require that school be extended beyond June 30th, makeup days from that point will be deducted from the April vacation commencing with the "first day" of the vacation and

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working into the week.

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[2] New Year's Day - NS

[16] MLK Day - NS

25> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL

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[20] President's Day - NS <21> Staff PL - NS

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[29] Memorial Day Observed - N/S

31> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL

JUNE - 9 Days								
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"13" - 181st Student Day

19* - 185th Student Day - EHS Graduation

APRIL - 15 Days								
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[10-14] Spring Vacation - NS

[14] Good Friday - NS

26> K-12 Early Release & Staff PL

ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ENFIELD, CONNECTICUT

SCHOOL CALENDAR(S)

The superintendent shall recommend to the Board of Education school calendar(s) that will meet the requirements of law.

The superintendent shall recommend to the Board of Education, in January, a school calendar(s) that will meet the requirements of law. The school calendar(s) shall show the beginning and ending dates of school, legal holidays, student days, teacher workdays, vacation periods, and other pertinent dates. In creating the recommended calendar(s), the superintendent shall incorporate the following requirements into the school calendar(s):

1. Teachers report prior to opening day.

 2.

Barring any contractual conflicts:

Tuesday following Labor Day.

 Tuesday prior to Labor Day.

b. If Labor Day falls on September 1, 2, 3, or 4, school shall begin on the

a. If Labor Day falls on September 5, 6, or 7, school shall begin on the

3. If snow or other emergency closings require that classes run beyond June 30, makeup days from that point will be deducted from any break beginning with the Monday and working towards the end of the week.

4. The Board of Education may declare a holiday in the schools under its jurisdiction when good reason exists.

5. The Board will set the calendar(s) for the following school year(s) no later than the end of February.

6. The graduation date(s) for the senior class will be fixed to the 185th and 186th days for the two high schools within the adopted calendar(s) and are required to take place prior to July 1st of each year. Graduations must occur on weekdays (Monday through Friday). The two high schools will annually rotate graduation dates between the fixed 185th and 186th days.

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 Policy Adopted:
 May 23, 1995

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 Policy Revised:
 March 10, 1998

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 Policy Revised:
 July 8, 2008

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 Policy Reviewed:
 June 23, 2009

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 Policy Revised:
 May 10, 2011

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 12, 2016



A regular meeting of the Enfield Board of Education was held at Town Hall in Council Chambers, located at 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT on January 12, 2016.

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Tom Sirard.
- 2. INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE: Lori Unghire
- 3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Lori Unghire
- **FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Tom Sirard announced the fire evacuation announcement.
- 5. ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stacy Thurston, Vin Grady, Walter Kruzel, Raymond Peabody,

Lori Unghire, Mike Ludwick, Tina LeBlanc (participated remotely)

and Tom Sirard

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tim Neville

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Jeffrey Schumann, Superintendent; Mr. Christopher Drezek, Deputy Superintendent; FHS Student Representative Thomas Vose and EHS Student Representative Lila Wilcox

Chairman Sirard stated that Tina LeBlanc will participate remotely tonight per BOE Policy #9341.8 Participation at Board Meetings by Remote Methods.

- 6. BOARD GUEST(S): None
- 7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
- a. Student Representatives as presented
- b. January Events as presented
- 8. AUDIENCES None

<u>Vin Weseliza, Deer Run</u> – Mr. Weseliza asked if the Future Use of Fermi Committee members endorsed the 68 page report that is on the Board's website. This was presented at a committee meeting. Thank you.

Maurice LaRosa, Litchfield Drive - Mr. LaRosa asked about the snow bus for the students that live in the Litchfield Drive area. He asked the Board about this last year and is still waiting for an answer. The weather is only going to get worst. The kids need to walk in the streets. He would like to see us avoid a tragedy. The students that live along Raffia Road have a winter bus. Why not these students? These are the only students that walk to JFK. He has given the Board a solution. Why is this decision taking so long? Safety for all of our students is something the Board discusses. We need a solution. Thank you.

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Ludwick attended the Rachel's Challenge Pancake Breakfast. This was a great event. He

thanked everyone that is involved with this program.

Mrs. Thurston stated they are planning a Fermi Hockey Alumni Reunion game. Players from the first hockey team to the last team will participate. You can contact Tim Jensen on Facebook for more information. The date will be Fermi's last home hockey game which is also senior day.

Mr. Grady wished for everyone to have a good year and a happy healthy new year. He also attended the Rachel's Challenge breakfast. It was a great event and was well attended.

Mr. Kruzel stated he also attended the Rachel's Challenge Pancake Breakfast. It was a great time. He thanked the members involved with this program. He attended the Stowe Early Learning Center open house. This is a great facility. He thanked the B&G staff for a great job. Another great event was held last night for the First Readers. The turnout was great. He thanked the staff involved in this program.

Mr. Peabody wished everyone a happy new year. He welcomed the audience members. Before the Christmas break, he attended Crandall's One Book, One School event and read to the third grade class. He thanked Dawn Marchese for everything she and her staff do for our students.

Mr. Peabody stated the Rachel's Challenge Pancake breakfast is a great event. Rachel's Challenge is one of the most important things for our students to be part of. These are great events for our schools and families. He wished Mr. Neville a speedy recovery. He congratulated the EHS girls Basketball team for winning last night's game.

Chairman Sirard wished everyone a happy new year and he wished everyone a good year.

Chairman Sirard stated the issue of the snow bus has been referred to the Policy Committee. We started this discussion with Mr. Smyth a few months ago. They are currently working out things since Mr. Smyth's passing. Smyth bus started the Raffia Road winter bus run free of charge. We will review this item with them. There is a transition at Smyth Bus and this will be reviewed by the Board's Policy Committee.

Chairman Sirard stated regarding the 68 page document presented to the Future Use of Fermi Committee. The summary of the work product was placed on the website for the public to view. It was public information. The decision for this was from the Board's Leadership committee. A lot of work went into this report and we felt it deserved to be placed on the Future Use of Fermi Website.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Transition Update

Dr. Schumann stated the transition has worked out very well. We met on Tuesday and discussed the technology area. We are waiting for equipment to be delivered and anticipate the delivery in the next week. The Auto Shop will be up and running next month. We are moving forward with the construction project.

Mr. Grady asked when the demolition of the D wing will start. Dr. Schumann is not sure but will find out.

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's FY2016-17 Budget Presentation

Dr. Schumann thanked Mr. Bourassa, Ms. Middleton, Ms. Burr and Mrs. West for their assistance putting the budget book together. He reviewed the district's 2015-16 goals and theory of action with the Board along with the Enfield Public Schools Why Card; student enrollment and magnet school enrollment; administration, department and schools accomplishments; funding stream for the Enfield Public School System; 2016-17 budget timeline; needs requests budget – 11.69% or \$73,582,853; tipping point and critical window of opportunity; initiatives for the EPS to move forward; spending projections for new initiatives; fixed costs; skill sets needed for our students and value adds; and fixed cost needs.

Dr. Schumann proposed a 9.09% or \$71,874,289 budget for FY2016-17. He distributed the FY2016-17 Budget book to Board members. The administration is prepared to work with the Board over the next several weeks to fine tune the proposed budget.

Mrs. Thurston left the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Chairman Sirard asked if any Board members had any questions.

Mr. Peabody would like to schedule work session meetings for the Board.

Chairman Sirard will refer this to the Leadership Committee to discuss and set dates for the Board to meet to discuss the budget.

b. <u>Discussion and Action if any, regarding High School Consolidation Advisory</u> <u>Committee</u>

Chairman Sirard stated the Leadership Committee discussed forming a temporary standing committee to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible. They will make sure communication with the Board and the public continues and will deal with any issues that would not be covered by the Building Committee or the Superintendent's professional committee. This will also provide a conduit for traditional ideas to present to the Board of Education for consideration. The public may have many ideas. The committee can vet these ideas before they are brought before the Board.

Chairman Sirard would like to see the membership of the High School Consolidation Advisory Committee include 2 Republican and 2 Democratic Board Members and 1 Town Council Member.

Mr. Ludwick moved, seconded by Mr. Peabody that the Enfield Board of Education creates a High School Consolidation Advisory Committee.

Discussion:

Chairman Sirard would like to leave the appointments of High School Consolidation Advisory Committee to the members of the Leadership Committee.

Mr. Ludwick feels this committee is a good idea. He would like community members to bring items forward. There are a lot of ideas for the opening of the school. Having equal party representation and including a Town Council member is also a good idea. He would like to be considered for this committee.

A vote by roll-call 7-0-0 passed unanimously.

c. Discussion and Action if any, regarding 2015-17 BOE Priorities

Chairman Sirard stated the Board held a retreat on December 12th and discussed our priorities

for the 2015-17 term. He read the following BOE Priorities for Board consideration:

- Continue to pursue positive relationships with all stake holders.
- Pursue partnership with Town council to develop long-range facility plans.
- Ensure transition to a consolidated high school is as smooth as possible.
- Promote a positive direction for Enfield Public Schools.
- Continue to pursue innovative public and private partnerships.
- Continue to refine the budget process.

Mr. Kruzel moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Enfield Board of Education approves the 2015-17 BOE Priorities as presented.

A vote by roll-call 7-0-0 passed unanimously.

15. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Building Committee

Mr. Kruzel reported the Building Committee met last Tuesday. The demolition of D Wing will occur in two weeks. The Fire Department will be there the week before.

Mr. Grady stated the demolition was delayed.

Mr. Kruzel stated an abatement on A wing is going on which caused the delay with D wing. Fencing around D wing has been put in place. He met with Art Pongratz today who is enjoying his retirement.

b. Curriculum Committee - None

c. Finance Committee

Mr. Peabody reported the Finance Committee held an organizational meeting last night and discussed several items with Mr. Drezek and Dr. Schumann. They addressed all of our questions and ideas for upcoming meetings. The Finance staff does a great job and their priories are in-line with the Board's priorities.

Mr. Peabody requested from the Chair to the Leadership Committee to look transition costs and any one-time costs like Band Uniforms. He would like the Finance Committee to be updated on this. He knows this is something that is currently being worked on.

Mr. Peabody added that he is looking forward to working together with Mr. Drezek and Mrs. West.

d. Policy Committee

Mr. Ludwick added the Policy Committee will meet on February 1st at Henry Barnard in the Board Conference Room. The public is welcome to attend. The agenda will be posted prior to the meeting. We will discuss the snow bus along with several other items.

Mr. Grady asked if the committee could meet before February 1st. We could be hit with some storms between now and then.

Mr. Ludwick stated we can try to meet sooner. We will look to see if any dates are available.

16. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kruzel moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Special Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2015 be approved. A vote by **show-of-hands 7-0-0** passed unanimously.

Mr. Kruzel moved, seconded by Mr. Grady that the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015 be approved. A vote by **show-of-hands 7-0-0** passed unanimously.

- 17. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYROLL None
- 18. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS None
- 19. AUDIENCES

<u>Vin Weseliza, Deer Run</u> – Mr. Weseliza stated he is questioning the content of the report that was not discussed by the Board or the Future Use of Fermi Committee. It was not endorsed by the committee. He feels this is misleading by posting this on the website or is this just a 3rd party report.

Maurice LaRosa, Litchfield Drive - Mr. LaRosa extended his sympathy to the Smyth family for their loss. This topic should have been already taken care of. It was brought up last winter. The Policy Committee will look into it and we will still need to have a first and second reading if any changes are made to the policy. This could bring us to April for a final decision to be made. He does not want to see the Board drag their feet on safety. No one wants to see any child get harmed. The Board has been given a viable solution to consider. Put the kids on the bus that stops one street over. This would fix the problem. Thank you.

20. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - None

21. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kruzel moved, seconded by Mrs. Unghire to adjourn the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2016.

All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Tina LeBlanc Secretary Board of Education Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary