# ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION ENFIELD, CONNECTICUT

Time-Place:

a. Matter(s) related to Personnel

Adjournment

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

Date: 05/08/18

1.	Call to Order – 7:00 PM						
2.	Invocation or Moment of Silence – Scott Ryder						
3.	Pledge of Allegiance – Scott Ryder						
4.	Fire Evacuation Announcement	Fire Evacuation Announcement					
5.	Roll Call						
6.	Board Guest(s)						
	a. BUZZ Robotics						
7.	Superintendent's Report						
	<ul> <li>a. Student Representatives</li> <li>b. LEGO Event</li> <li>c. JFK Jr. National Honor Society Induction Ceremony</li> <li>d. May Events</li> </ul>						
8.	Audiences						
9.	Board Members' Comments						
10.	Unfinished Business						
11.	New Business						
	a. Policy Revisions – Approve the 2000 Series – First Reading						
12.	Board Committee Reports a. Curriculum Committee b. Finance, Budget Committee c. Policy Committee d. Leadership Committee e. Joint Facilities Committee f. EHS Building Committees	g. Any Other Committees					
13.	Approval of Minutes: - Regular Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2018 - Special Meeting Minutes – May 2, 2018						
14.	Approval of Accounts and Payroll						
15.	Correspondence and Communications						
16.	Executive Session						



May 8, 2018

To:

**Enfield Board of Education Mr. Christopher J. Drezek** 

From: Re:

**Board Guest(s)** 

**a. BUZZ Robotics:** Tonight, we welcome Suzanne Toohey, advisor for Buzz Robotics. She will introduce any members that are present and they have prepared a presentation for the Board from this year's competitions.



May 8, 2018

To:

**Enfield Board of Education** 

From:

Mr. Christopher J. Drezek

Re:

Superintendent's Report

- a. <u>Student Representatives</u>: Enclosed in your packet, you will find a report with events/happenings at Enfield High School. Each Student Representative may have some additional information or comments to share with the Board.
- b. <u>LEGO Event</u>: The Building Tomorrow Project will hold a celebration on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Stowe Early Learning Center at 6:00 PM. This event is open to all students in grades K-5 and their families.
- c. <u>JFK Jr. National Honor Society Induction Ceremony</u>: John F. Kennedy will hold their 2018 Junior National Honor Society Induction Ceremony on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the JFK Auditorium. Board members previously received invitations. Enclosed in your packets is a copy of the invitation.
- **May Events:** Listed below, you will find some of the events happening in our schools during May.
  - 05-08-18 Gr. 4, 5 & 6 Spelling Bee will be held at JFK in the Auditorium starting at 6:00 PM;
  - 05-14-18 Memorial Family Math & Reading Night will be held at Memorial at 6:00 PM;
  - 05-15-18 Gr. 6 Instrumental Concert will be held in the JFK Auditorium at 7:00 PM;
  - 05-21-18 Eli Whitney Chorus Concert will be held in the APR at 6:30 PM.



May 8, 2018

To: From: Enfield Board of Education Mr. Christopher J. Drezek

Re:

Policy Revisions - Approve the 2000 Series - First Reading

Policy Committee members are continuing with their charge to review all Board policies. Tonight, the Board will discuss the 2000 series for a first reading. Board members have received a copy of the 2000 series prior to tonight's meeting. The 2000 series has been posted on the website for public input.

Mr. Regnier, the Policy Committee Chair or Mr. Longey, may have some additional comments regarding the 2000 series to share with the Board.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriate regarding approving the 2000 series as a first reading.



May 8, 2017

To: From:

**Enfield Board of Education Mr. Christopher J. Drezek** 

Re:

**Executive Session** 

The Board of Education needs to discuss the following item:

- Matter(s) Related to a Personnel

Therefore, I recommend that the Enfield Board of Education enter executive session, with the appropriate personnel invited, for the reasons described above. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting is required. Board members can remain in Council Chambers for the executive session.



# EHS Student Representative Report - May 8, 2018

- EHS Senior Prom will be held on May 11th at Maneely's at 6:30 PM;
- EHS Symphony Orchestra will perform at the Fantastic Festival on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM in the JFK Auditorium,
- EHS Concert & Jazz Band Concert will perform on May 17th at 6:30 PM in the EHS in the Auditorium.

- Monday, May 7			Game Time	Bus Time
HOME				
EAST HARTFORD	@	JFK BASEBALL	3:45 P.M.	
EAST HARTFORD	@	JFK SOFTBALL	3:45 P.M.	
MANCHESTER	@	ENFIELD BASEBALL (Freshman)	3:45 P.M.	
MANCHESTER	@	ENFIELD SOFTBALL (JV)	3:45 P.M.	
MANCHESTER	@	ENFIELD SOFTBALL (Varsity)	3:45 P.M.	
MANCHESTER	@	ENFIELD BOYS TENNIS	3:45 P.M.	
WETHERSFIELD	@	ENFIELD BOYS VOLLEYBALL (JV)	4:00 P.M.	
WETHERSFIELD	@	ENFIELD BOYS VOLLEYBALL (V)	5:00 P.M.	
Away				
Enfield Baseball (Varsity)	@	Manchester (Mt. Nebo Park)	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Girls Tennis	@	Manchester High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Boys Lacrosse (JV)	@	Middletown (Moody School)	4:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.
Tuesday, May 8				
<u>HOME</u>	<u> </u>			
SOUTH WINDSOR	@	ENFIELD OUTDOOR TRACK	3:45 P.M.	
WETHERSFIELD	@	ENFIELD SOFTBALL (Freshman)	4:15 P.M.	
WETHERSFIELD	@	ENFIELD SOFTBALL (Varsity)	4:15 P.M.	
Away				
JFK Baseball	@	Ellington Middle School	3:45 P.M.	2:40 P.M.
JFK Softball	@	Ellington Middle School	3:45 P.M.	
Enfield Golf	@	East Catholic (Tallwood CC – Hebron)	3:00 P.M.	1:45 P.M.
Enfield Baseball (JV)	@	Manchester (Northwest Park)	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Boys Tennis	@	East Catholic (Wickham Park)	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Softball (JV)	@	Somers High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Boys Lacrosse (JV)	@	Wethersfield High School	5:00 P.M.	3:45 P.M.
Wednesday, May 9				
<u>HOME</u>				
EAST CATHOLIC	@	ENFIELD GOLF (Grassmere CC)	3:00 P.M.	
SOUTH WINDSOR	@	ENFIELD BASEBALL (JV)	3:45 P.M.	
SOUTH WINDSOR	@	ENFIELD BASEBALL (Varsity)	3:45 P.M.	<b>_</b>
SOUTH WINDSOR	@	ENFIELD GIRLS TENNIS	3:45 P.M.	<u> </u>
EAST CATHOLIC	@	ENFIELD GIRLS LACROSSE (JV)	4:30 P.M.	FERMI H.S.
Away				
JFK Outdoor Track	@	Suffield Middle School (2 buses)	4:00 P.M.	2:40 P.M.
Enfield Baseball (Freshman)	@	South Windsor (Duprey Field – Ayers Rd.)	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.

Enfield Boys Tennis	@	South Windsor High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Softball (JV)	@	South Windsor High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Softball (Varsity)	@	South Windsor High School	3:45 P.M.	
Enfield Boys Volleyball	@	Glastonbury High School (JV)	4:00 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Boys Volleyball	@	Glastonbury High School (Varsity)	5:00 P.M.	
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Thursday, May 10				
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SAGE PARK MS	@	JFK BASEBALL	3:45 P.M.	
SAGE PARK MS	@	JFK SOFTBALL	3:45 P.M.	
ROCKVILLE	@	ENFIELD GOLF (Grassmere CC)	3:00 P.M.	
HALL (JV)	@	ENFIELD BOYS VOLLEYBALL	4:00 P.M.	
HALL (Varsity)	@	ENFIELD BOYS VOLLEYBALL	5:00 P.M.	
WINDSOR	@	ENFIELD BOYS LACROSSE (JV)	4:00 P.M.	FERMI H.S.
Away				
Enfield Boys Tennis	- la	Windsor Locks High School	3:45 P.M.	2:30 P.M.
Enfield Girls Tennis	@	Platt High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Baseball (JV)	@	Platt High School	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Baseball (Varsity)	<u>                                   </u>	Platt High School	3:45 P.M.	
Enfield Softball (JV)	@	Tolland (Birch Grove Elementary)	3:45 P.M.	2:15 P.M.
Enfield Softball (Varsity)	@	Tolland High School	4:00 P.M.	
Friday, May 11		NO GAMES SCHEDULED		
Saturday, May 12	<del> </del>			
HOME				
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Away		Irv Black Invite (Willowbrook Park)	10:00 A.M.	8:30 A.M.
Enfield Boys Track	@	CT Relays (South Windsor High School)	10:00 A.M.	8:30 A.M.
Enfield Girls Track	@	Conard (Sedgwick Middle School)	1:00 P.M.	11:45 A.M.
Enfield Baseball (JV)	@		1:00 P.M.	11.40 11.141.
Enfield Baseball (Varsity)	@	Conard High School	1.001.111.	
Sunday, May 13	•	NO PRACTICES OR GAMES SCHEDULED		

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Item #76.

Enfield Public Schools & LEGO presents...





Hostedby EFS

Showcase

of Student Projects in Grades K-5

SAVE THE DATE

WHEN: May 9

TIME: 6:00-7:30

WHERE: Stowe Early Learning Center

117 Post Office Road

WHO: Grades K-5

# John F. Kennedy Middle School



155 Raffia Road • Enfield CT 06082 • www.enfieldschools.org • (860) 763-8855 • FAX (860) 763-8888

Dear Board Member,

The advisors of the National Junior Honor Society cordially invite you to attend the induction ceremony of the NJHS in the auditorium of JFK Middle School on May  $10^{th}$  at 7 p.m. This will be a great acknowledgement of the hard work and accomplishments that these  $8^{th}$  graders have achieved during their middle school years. Refreshments will be available in the library afterward. We would enjoy your presence at the event.

Sincerely,

Elana Beebe, David Guertin

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2018 NJHS Advisors

#### Administration

# Concept and Roles in Administration



Within the guidelines established by Board of Education policy, law and employee agreements, the Superintendent shall direct and coordinate the administrative staff in implementing the educational philosophy, and achieving the goals and general objectives of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education expects the administration to demonstrate leadership and to resolve the inevitable problems which will arise both inside the school system and in its relations with the community. Further, the administration is expected to develop good working relationships with the community for the achievement of common goals.

The Superintendent of Schools is encouraged to conduct the operations of the school system according to the management team concept.

Policy adopted:

The following has been jointly approved by the CABE Board of Directors (3/30/16) and the CAPSS Board of Directors (4/1/16). It is a revision of the previous document. This was developed as a result of a joint effort of CABE and CAPSS with assistance provided by LEAD Connecticut and the Connecticut State Department of Education. It provides the basis for a regulation on this important issue of school governance and the board-superintendent relationship.

#### Administration

## **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

# **School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016**

"The school leadership team – school board and superintendent – is critical to the success of public education. Great things can happen when the elected and executive leadership of a school system are in agreement about goals and expectations. That requires candor and collaboration, and a shared commitment to the mission of ensuring that all children have access to a great education."

Thomas Gentzel, Executive Director, National School Board Association, and Daniel Domenech, Executive Director, American Association of School Administrators, 2014

#### Preface:

Connecticut's educational leaders recognize the power and potential to improve teaching, learning and student achievement in our public schools through cooperative, purposeful and professional working relationships between Superintendents and Boards of Education. The functions of our publicly elected Boards and hired Superintendents are subject to shifting demographic, cultural, and regulatory pressures. Meanwhile, in this continually evolving context, robust working relationships between school Boards and Superintendents, based on proven practices, consistently prove to be key drivers of high-achieving school districts.

This document is CABE and CAPSS view on the nature of and expectations for working relationships between Boards of Education and Superintendents. We intend it as a statewide reference for both groups to work toward strengthening strategic partnerships that empower student achievement. Our attempt is to capture best practices in this area, understanding that many of the issues addressed must be determined at the local level. We recognize that Superintendent/Board relationships vary, reflecting the diversity of our cities and towns.

We hope that this reference will continue to facilitate ongoing statewide discussions among and between Boards of Education and Superintendents for the districts that serve our students.

For success, the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools in any school district must share the same goals and vision for providing students with quality education. While Board and Superintendent roles are different, they should complement each other. For the greatest success, Board members and the Superintendent must work collaboratively as a governance team, with each clear on their roles and areas of responsibility, respecting the others' roles and responsibilities and collaborating effectively on shared responsibilities.

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

**School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016** (continued)

Our stance aligns with the AASA-NSBA foundational position: In general, "the Board is a legislative body that develops, evaluates and oversees education policies. The Superintendent is the professional educator chosen by the Board to implement policies and to provide professional leadership (and vision) for a district's schools."

School districts with high-quality governance teams and high student achievement are characterized by excellent working relationships between the Superintendent and Boards of Education. The focus of the relationship must always be collaboration on behalf of children.

## Governance Statement: Uses for This Document

This Governance Statement is intended to be used as a tool for discussion between boards and superintendents. It takes into account the thoughts of board members, former and current superintendents and others versed in leadership. It is not designed as a one-size-fits-all recipe. Rather, it is based on what the authors see as the best road to take to build that strong relationship.

We recommend that all boards and their superintendents discuss their expectations for each other as soon as any of the members of the Leadership Team (the Board of Education and the Superintendent) change. Thus, with changes due to board elections, appointment of a new board member, the hiring of a new superintendent or whenever the board and superintendent believe it is in the interests of their relationship to have a discussion of expectations, the Team should take part in a retreat. The Governance Statement can serve as a good starting place for those discussions.

These discussions should occur in a retreat format, usually with a trusted facilitator. While certainly the companion Board Self-Assessment contained in the Team Assessment document should be used to pinpoint the views of both board members and the superintendent, the Governance Statement itself, with its list of board responsibilities, superintendent responsibilities and those they share, should be well-known to new and experienced board members and superintendents.

Every district has different board members, a different superintendent, different demographics, and other unique characteristics that will help inform such a retreat. That is to be expected and is actually a strength of Leadership Teams: local control is based on an understanding that different localities have different needs and wants.

Because of that, we encourage your Leadership Team to discuss the responsibilities and determine how best you can work together to ensure they are carried out in a thoughtful, positive way, all aimed at strengthening your student achievement. At times when difficult, contentious issues come before the Board, it can be helpful to return to the Governance Statement and have another discussion of expectations.

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

**School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016** (continued)

### Joint Board/Superintendent Responsibilities

The primary responsibility of a Board and Superintendent is to foster a district culture that makes student achievement its primary focus. These are specific joint responsibilities that will accomplish this goal.

- To work together with the community to develop a vision for the school district with a primary focus on student achievement.
- To develop goals that align with the vision for the district and foster continuous improvement.
- To institute a process for long-range and strategic planning that aligns with the vision for the district.
- To communicate and interpret the school district's mission to the public and listen, and incorporate appropriate community perspectives into Board action.
- To provide community leadership on educational issues by creating strong linkages with appropriate organizations, agencies and other groups to provide support for healthy development and high achievement for all children.
- To participate in professional development specifically regarding their roles and responsibilities and on relevant content areas.
- To support Board actions and decisions.
- To collectively execute their legal responsibilities.
- To set aside time, at least regularly, to discuss school Board/Superintendent relations.
- To belong to, actively support, and participate in their professional organizations, and encourage each other to do so.
- To ensure that professional development opportunities, consistent with district goals, are available to all Board members and school district employees.
- To ensure district adherence to federal and state laws and Board policies.
- To advocate, at the national and state levels, for students and the school district and promote the benefits of public education.
- To collaborate with other school Boards, Superintendents, agencies, and other bodies to inform state and federal policy makers of local concerns and issues relative to education.
- To work collaboratively with agencies, and other bodies, as appropriate, on an ongoing basis.

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

# **School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016** (continued)

Board of Education's Responsibilities	Superintendent of Schools' Responsibilities		
To hire, support, evaluate and work effectively with the Superintendent of Schools.	To work effectively with the Board, serving as the school Board's chief executive officer and educational leader for the Board, district, and community.		
To establish and regularly review all policies, ensuring they are lawful and designed to improve the quality of the school district.	<ul> <li>To implement policies approved by the Board and recommend changes, if appropriate, and to develop, implement and inform the Board of administrative procedures necessary to implement Board policy.</li> </ul>		
• In consultation with the Superintendent, to conduct an annual formal evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools that: 1) reflects the significant complexities and wide variety of responsibilities inherent to the role; 2) identifies areas of success and targeted professional development; and 3) focuses on student achievement in the proper context.	To participate, as appropriate, in his/her annual evaluation, by providing data and other information that will inform the evaluation.		
To inform the Superintendent, through the established chain of command, of potential barriers to the realization of the board's vision for the school system.	To proactively identify and address potential barriers to the realization of the board's vision for the school system.		
To refer communications such as questions complaints and personnel inquiries to the Superintendent, as appropriate, and to encourage adherence to the established chain of command.	<ul> <li>To respond to communications, as appropriate, and ensure the adherence and appropriate response through the chain of command, and to keep Board members informed about district issues in a timely manner.</li> </ul>		
To seek the Superintendent's recommendation before taking action.	To provide the Board with well-informed recommendations.		
To make decisions based on data.	To facilitate effective, data-driven decision making.		

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

# School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016 (continued)

Board of Education's Responsibilities	Superintendent of Schools' Responsibilities
To adopt, advocate for and oversee the school budget, which is responsive to district goals and meets the needs of all students.	• To prepare, advocate for and implement the annual budget that addresses district goals and meets the needs of all students; and report regularly to the Board on the status of the budget and any concerns or other issues about which the Board should be informed.
• To delegate to the Superintendent responsibility for all administrative functions, except those specifically reserved to the Board through Board policy.	To oversee the organization and management of the district's day-to-day operations.
<ul> <li>To conduct an annual self-evaluation of its own leadership, governance and teamwork and take appropriate action pursuant to that evaluation.</li> </ul>	To participate, as appropriate, in the annual self-evaluation of the Board, and assist with follow-up.
To provide leadership development opportunities for the Superintendent.	To engage in leadership development opportunities provided by the Board.
To have the Board leadership work with the Superintendent to develop meeting agendas that include student achievement.	To work closely with the Board leadership to develop meeting agendas that include student achievement.
To determine and include in district policy, hiring procedures that clearly define Board and Superintendent responsibilities, and to participate in termination procedures and decisions as prescribed by Connecticut General Statutes.	To, as pursuant to Board policy, hire personnel for the school district and ensure that each employee is properly supervised and evaluated; and to make recommendations for termination of employment.
To establish, in accordance with state statute, a professional staff evaluation process that is based on effective performance.	To implement the Board-established professional staff evaluation process that is based on effective performance, in accordance with state statute.
• To ensure there is a supportive, smoothly-operating Board/Superintendent leadership team, which results in an effective and efficient school district.	

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

# **School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016** (continued)

Board of Education's Responsibilities	Superintendent of Schools' Responsibilities		
To share relevant information for the betterment of the district with the Board/Superintendent leadership team.	To communicate research information, performance results and educational needs to the Board for possible Board action.		
To hold Superintendent accountable for alignment of district activities with district vision.	To ensure that actions of the entire district align to the district vision.		
Belongs to, actively supports, and participates in professional organizations (e.g., CABE, NSBA and encourages the Superintendent of Schools to actively support and participate in their professional organizations. (CAPSS, AASA)	Belongs to, actively supports, and participates in professional organizations (e.g., CAPSS, AASA and encourages the Board of Education to actively support and participate in their professional organizations (CABE, NSBA)		

For more information on the specific duties of the Superintendent, it is recommended that the Board and Superintendent examine the Connecticut Superintendent Leadership Competency Framework, developed by LEAD Connecticut. It is intended to focus specifically on effective superintendent leadership and is included at the end of this document.

# The Relationship between the Board Chair and the Superintendent

By the nature of the position, the Board Chair plays a key role in ensuring the effective functioning of the governance team. The Chair serves as the liaison between the Board and the Superintendent. The Board Chair will often have a very different relationship with the Superintendent of Schools than others on the Board. Because of this relationship, it is crucial that Board Chairs be chosen carefully. Ability to serve as representative of the Board and, as appropriate, partner with the Superintendent, should be critical considerations in selecting the Board Chair.

The Chair should also recognize that his or her role is dependent upon the support of the Board, and that action generally requires the vote of the Board.

Usually the Chair and Superintendent collaborate on developing the meeting agenda and other operational issues facing the Board. (Sometimes Board officers do this with the Superintendent.) The Superintendent will depend on the Chair for guidance, and the Chair should look to the Superintendent for the same, not only in setting the agenda, but also in carrying out other joint Board/Superintendent responsibilities. Both the Board Chair and the Superintendent should develop and maintain a close, positive working relationship.

# **Board-Superintendent Relationship**

# **School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016 (continued)**

The Superintendent is a non-voting member of the district leadership team, and should be accorded the proper respect. The Board and the Superintendent work together to ensure that they make all decisions consistent with the ethical standards they've established.

The Chair has the unique role of communication with all Board members and provides appropriate information on any issues that arise in the district. The Superintendent also has a role in seeing that the Chair gets any help or information they need to make sure this communication takes place.

The Chair has a responsibility to ensure that the Superintendent can do his/her job without undue outside interference. The Chair must also ensure that individual Board members understand their roles and responsibilities, not only in terms of the Board/Superintendent relationship, but also as the Board relates to the students, community, staff, government agencies, and others affected by the Board. Understanding that Board members are individuals, with different opinions and agendas, the Board Chair still has the responsibility, to the extent possible, for keeping everyone "on the same page." In particular, the Chair must make every effort to ensure that once district policy has been properly established, the Board speaks "in one voice" as the Superintendent implements that policy. This will, in the long run, pay dividends in terms of credibility of the Board and will lead to more efficient and effective Board action.

For more information on the work of the Board Chair, please see the CABE publication, "Who's In Charge? A Guide for Board of Education Chairs".

#### Conclusion

While this position paper attempts to outline the various roles and responsibilities of Boards of Education and School Superintendents, its primary purpose is to emphasize the importance and necessity of a close working relationship between the two, based on trust, an understanding of each other's unique roles and abilities, and a shared vision for the school district's success. Not only is such a relationship a necessary prerequisite for this success, but also, the lack of a trusting, collaborative relationship between a Board of Education and its Superintendent is a blueprint for failure.

The focus for Boards and Superintendents must always be: How can we work together to ensure educational excellence for our children?

**Board-Superintendent Relationship** 

**School Governance Position Statement - Spring 2016** (continued)

#### References

- Dervarics, Chuck and O'Brien, Eileen, "Eight Characteristics of Effective School Boards: full report," Center for Public Education, January 28, 2011
- Connecticut Association of Boards of Education, "Who's in Charge? A Guide for Board of Education Chairs."
- Hanover Research, "Review of Effective Superintendent Leadership and Development Practices," May, 2013
- CABE, Who's In Charge, discussion of the role of the Board Chair, 2011.

Regulation approved:

# Superintendent's Leadership Performance Areas and Specific Areas of Responsibility

Successful Superintendents of Schools are visionary CEOs who lead dynamic enterprises in a shifting climate of policy, politics, society, economics, and law. Balancing and managing national reform and accountability initiatives against local circumstances, they create the conditions that drive their school district's leadership, quality of instruction, and student achievement. Research has shown that the nation's most successful Superintendents possess highly developed leadership, vision, and strategic thinking skills, and that these skills, combined, influence student achievement.

Together, CABE and CAPSS have created the following framework to help guide Superintendent evaluation and development. CABE/CAPSS regularly revises this document to reflect continuing developments that shape Superintendents' areas of responsibility.

# I. Educational Leadership

Grounded in relationships, the Superintendent enlists and guides school district stakeholders toward the district's educational goals, demonstrating an intense focus on continuous district improvement.

Working with the Board of Education, community, and staff, the Superintendent:

- develops and implements a vision that inspires action and commitment;
- develops and implements a district leadership plan that guides decision making;
- aligns resources to drive a district-wide strategy for improving the performance of all students;
- establishes systems that build staff capacity and hold staff accountable for results;
- establishes and sustains a culture of continuous improvement and accountability;
- purposely aligns systems and structures that support the strategic operating plan;
- identifies the values and ethics under which the schools function.

Serving as the Board of Education's educational leader and chief executive, the Superintendent:

- works with the Board of Education, staff and community to facilitate the development and implementation of a vision of learning that sets high performance expectations for all students and staff;
- promotes a positive school culture in which there is an effective instructional program and a comprehensive professional development plan for staff;
- belongs to, actively supports, and participates in professional organizations (e.g., CAPSS, AASA) and encourages the Board of Education to actively support and participate in their professional organizations (CABE, NSBA);
- uses knowledge of research-based best practices related to learning, teaching, student development, organizational development, and data management to optimize learning for all students.

# Superintendent's Leadership Performance Areas and Specific Areas of Responsibility (continued)

# II. Organizational Management

Effective facilitation of the day-to-day operations of the school district and its programs requires leadership in organizational management. This includes establishing systems and appropriate delegation of tasks for:

- consistent with Board of Education policy, recruiting, hiring, and retaining personnel for the school district who show potential to best meet the needs of all students;
- providing a system of support, supervision, and consistent evaluation to ensure effectiveness of certified and classified staff;
- preparing, advocating for, and implementing an annual budget that addresses district goals and meets the needs of all students;
- implementing policies adopted by the Board of Education and recommending appropriate changes; and informing the Board of administrative procedures necessary to implement Board policies;
- ensuring the health and safety of students and staff;
- reporting regularly to the Board of Education on all relevant matters.

# III. Community and Board of Education Relations

Community and Board of Education relations are critical to the success of the Superintendent and the school system.

**Community relations:** The Superintendent works in partnership with the Board of Education and the community to:

- establish a vision, goals, and objectives for the district;
- communicate regularly and clearly with the community;
- provide data and information to assist with the evaluation of the district operations and programs;
- represent the district to the community;
- maintain positive working relationships with key local, regional, and state organizations and agencies.

#### **Board relations:**

Working in a professional manner, the Superintendent:

- provides professional advice and keeps the Board of Education informed and updated on educational issues and the school system's needs and operations, by providing appropriate recommendations and supporting data.
- responds to communications from staff and community, as appropriate; ensures the
  adherence and appropriate response through the chain of command; and keeps Board
  of Education members informed about significant operational issues in a timely
  manner.

# Superintendent's Leadership Performance Areas and Specific Areas of Responsibility (continued)

#### IV. Staff Relations

No chief executive officer, including a superintendent of schools, can lead a successful organization without establishing healthy and productive relationships with the organization's staff members. To establish such relationships, a superintendent must ensure that systems are in place that:

- provide for a safe and orderly work environment for all staff;
- delegate authority appropriately to all staff members;
- give all staff members sufficient authority and support to meet their responsibilities;
- provide all staff members with effective, relevant, and ongoing professional development aligned with their responsibilities and opportunities for advancement;
- provide all staff members the information they need to meet their responsibilities;
- provide for substantial consideration of input from staff members on all important policy and procedural decisions that involve them;
- provide for regular and systemic communication to all staff members with respect to all major organizational goals, objectives, and management issues.

# V. Personal and Professional Qualities and Relationships

Personal and professional qualities and relationships are critical to the effectiveness of leaders and managers. The Superintendent, with poise and diplomacy, must:

- maintain high standards of ethics, honesty, and integrity in all professional matters;
- continue to refine and develop their skills and contemporary knowledge;
- make decisions based on sound professional practice;
- interact effectively with individuals and groups both within and outside the school district to accomplish the goals of the district;
- strongly advocate for public education and support their convictions;
- maintain a healthy balance between professional obligations and personal life.

#### VI. Growth in Student Achievement

Every school district's core mission is to prepare all students for the future by ensuring their growth in achievement. The Superintendent does not deliver instruction directly to students but must set expectations and take specific actions that establish a culture conducive to growth in student achievement.

The Superintendent must establish systems for:

• involving stakeholders throughout the system to establish instructional and achievement goals;

# Superintendent's Leadership Performance Areas and Specific Areas of Responsibility (continued)

- collecting data on a regular basis regarding student achievement in all programmatic areas:
- analyzing data to identify areas of instruction requiring focus and emphasis;
- developing and implementing plans to ensure growth in student achievement and for revising those plans regularly, in accordance with relevant student achievement data;
- holding staff accountable for implementing plans to enhance student achievement and for the intended growth in student achievement;
- determining whether achievement growth strategies are successful and methods to conduct relevant assessments;
- setting, in concert with the Board of Education, assessable school system goals for yearly performance in student achievement and methods for conducting the relevant assessments;
- setting, in concert with the Board of Education, reasonable and assessable goals for their performance -- within the context of available resources and Board support -- for the Superintendent's proposals.

Reference: Connecticut Superintendent Leadership Competency Framework developed by LEAD Connecticut

#### Administration

## Participatory Management

# Philosophy

The Board of Education is committed to excellence in teaching student achievement, community involvement, and general operations throughout the school district. The Board believes the optimum way in which this commitment may be achieved is through the cooperative use of the talent and wisdom of all of the employees of the district. The Board encourages programs of employee involvement, participatory problem solving and decision making processes. Specifically, participatory management shall be understood to be management which:

- 1. Encourages participation and creativity among staff
- 2. Builds commitment to shared goals
- 3. Structures employee involvement so employees are routinely involved in decisions which affect them and sets a high priority on advocating those ideas.
- 4. Develops a strong sense of trust and collegiality among all staff in the pursuit of excellence for the district.

Therefore, all supervisory personnel including principals, assistant principals, department heads, directors, Assistant Superintendent and the Superintendent shall be expected to create and maintain a work environment that encourages employee participation, enhances communications within the district, promotes the general welfare of students and the morale of staff. All employees are called upon to work cooperatively and openly in pursuit of our common goal of excellence.

(cf. 2001.1 - Participatory Management – Staff Involvement) (cf. 2003 - Participatory Management – Guidelines for Decision Making Teams)

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

# Participatory Management

#### Staff Involvement in Decision Making

The Board will encourage employee participation in decision-making for the school district.

Such participation will include, as appropriate to areas, programs and schools, involvement in:

- 1. Curriculum
- 2. Operational issues
- 3. Budget
- 4. Facilities Planning
- 5. Personnel

The Board believes that policy decisions regarding the curriculum, instruction, and the overall school program should be reached with meaningful participation by the professional staff in a process which culminates in a recommendation to the Board by the Superintendent. However, such participation should be interpreted as contributing to the establishment of policy not as setting it, which is a right ultimately reserved to the Board.

The Board believes that such participation by the administrators and school staff should be conducted in a spirit of cooperation and with the clear focus that student learning is the most important function of a classroom and a school. What is best for the students of our schools should always be the guiding principle that underscores any decision-making process related to the instructional program.

The Superintendent will ensure that each building administrator establishes a process by which meaningful participation by the staff is sought during every phase of decision-making. The process should recognize and further the school staff's collective sense of responsibility for school-wide student performance. The Board encourages the use of staff development opportunities specifically directed toward cultivating the school staff's research, analytical, and decision-making abilities.

In addition, the Board believes greater involvement in decision-making by the staff should be accompanied by an increased level of accountability for results. Therefore, any proposals by the professional staff for alterations to the instructional program or any system-wide and/or school goals resulting from collaborative decision-making processes should incorporate evaluation procedures that are linked to student outcomes. Evaluations of the professional staff, then, should include an assessment of how effectively they have worked toward and achieved these common goals.

# **Participatory Management**

# Staff Involvement in Decision Making (continued)

The Board believes that the Principal must play a leadership role in the development of new proposals for the instructional program, both in maintaining a consistent focus on student outcomes and in providing the necessary research and technical support for the school staff. The Superintendent will provide, in turn, specific support systems for principals that are designed to develop their instructional leadership skills.

The Board reserves the right to make the final decision on questions of school policy. The Board will endeavor to respect the judgment of the decision-making processes prior to reaching a decision on behalf of the public and the students of the district.

(cf. 2002 - Participatory Management – Philosophy) (cf. 2003 - Participatory Management – Guidelines for Decision Making Teams)

Policy adopted:

# Goals and Objectives

The Board of Education believes that proper administration is vital to a successful educational program. The coordination and supervision of all aspects of the operations of the district's schools, pursuant to the policies of the Board, are necessary for the development and maintenance of an effective learning environment. Administrative duties and functions are to be assessed in terms of their contributions to the improvement of education in the district. The Superintendent of Schools, as chief executive officer of the district, is to provide the leadership necessary to support this objective.

District administration is to be organized so that all divisions and departments of the central office and all schools operate within a system guided by Board policies, which are implemented through the Superintendent. All personnel will have the necessary authority and responsibility (clearly defined and correlated to their roles) to carry out their respective assignments within this framework. Accountability will rest with these same personnel for the effectiveness with which their duties are performed.

Major goals of district administration will be:

- 1. to effectively manage the district's various departments, units and programs;
- 2. to provide professional advice and counsel to the Board and to advisory groups established by Board action. This includes the review of policy alternatives and the subsequent recommendation from among them;
- 3. to perform managerial duties as will best assure effective learning programs, including but not limited to:
  - a. ensuring the effective implementation of Board policy;
  - b. addressing the on-site needs of the district's schools;
  - c. providing leadership in keeping abreast of current educational developments;
  - d. arranging for effective staff development programs;
  - e. coordinating cooperative efforts at improving learning programs, facilities, equipment and materials; and
  - f. providing channels for the upward flow of information necessary and useful in the design and development of school policy.

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

# **Equal Employment Opportunity**

All personnel policies and practices of the Board of Education will be in accord with equal employment opportunity practices as determined by state and federal legislation. A job description and required qualifications for a position to be filled will be made available to all applicants. Equal employment opportunity means that equal employment possibilities are available to all protected groups and that no individual will be discriminated against because of race, gender, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, or unrelated abilities to perform the duties of the position.

The district's staffing plan should be designed to ensure that the public schools are continuously moving toward integrated staff at all levels, in all schools, and in other areas throughout the system.

The Board believes in the importance of the district's practices to support the concept of staff balance. Within each group of employees there will be represented, when possible, a cross-section of employees of different gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds, and length of administrative and teaching experience.

Under the balanced-staff concept, the staff and students will benefit greatly by having exposure to a diverse staff.

Legal References:

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C., sub 2000e.

Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. Sec 621.

Executive Order 11246.
Connecticut General Statutes

Connecticut Constitution Article I, Section 20; Amendment V Equal Rights

Protection Amendment.

46a-51 (8), (17), (18) Discriminatory practices.

46a-58(a) Deprivation of rights.

46a-60 Discriminatory employment practices prohibited. 46a-79 State policy re employment of criminal offenders.

46a-80 Denial of employment based on prior conviction of crime.

46a-81 Sexual orientation discrimination, defined 10-153 Discrimination on account of marital status.

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

# **Professional Development**

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of professional development opportunities for new and experienced administrators. Administrators should provide positive role models for other staff and students by adopting the dual roles of teacher and learner. Formal acknowledgment of the importance of these reciprocal roles and responsibilities will lead to sustained professional growth and learning among administrative staff, which will, in turn, benefit the school community.

A philosophy that promotes continued learning for all educators should permeate professional development programs and practices. The philosophy should specifically support different learning needs, based on experience, and an investment in the professional growth of future school leaders:

- 1. Innovative programs should be developed and established for teachers who aspire to administrative positions. A special effort should be made to encourage women and minorities to seek administrative positions.
- 2. For new administrators, a comprehensive orientation program should include broad-based exposure to district practices and resources, provision of mentor support from experienced administrators, and development of an individualized professional growth plan that targets priority learning needs.
- 3. For experienced administrators, flexible professional development opportunities should be entertained, allowing for career advancement support and long-term areas of professional pursuit.

All administrators should be exposed to professional growth opportunities and educational practices that address ways to foster excellence, diversity and equity in the school community. Professional development programs should be developed to assist and alert participants to issues related to the impact of racial, ethnic, and gender bias in the classroom, in the schools, and in the broader community.

Policy adopted:

# Administration

#### **Organizational Chart**

The Superintendent shall establish an Organizational Structure which shall be represented in an organizational chart and presented to the Board of Education for approval. The Organizational Chart shall provide an orderly means of achieving district goals and identify lines of primary responsibility for all employees of the school district.

The lines of responsibility shall be structured to enhance:

- the coordination, consistency and delivery of instruction
- the implementation of policy
- communication of goals and objectives
- conflict resolution
- understanding of individual roles and responsibilities as they relate to student, staff, and administration

The Organizational Chart shall be kept current. All changes within the chart shall be subject to approval by the Board of Education. Should there be a change in the philosophy and goals which form the basis for the Organizational Structure the Board shall direct the Superintendent to establish a new chart which reflects those changes and submit it for Board approval.

Should the Board of Education, as a result of temporary constraints, find it necessary to restructure lines of responsibility, it shall request that the Superintendent amend the Organizational Chart in an appropriate manner. The amended chart shall be presented to the Board of Education for approval on a temporary basis, not to exceed one year, and shall be referred to as the Amended Organizational Chart. At the end of that time, Board approval shall be required to extend the use of the amended chart, with a designated time established for its review.

Policy adopted:

# Administration

#### Lines of Responsibility

Lines of responsibility in the school district shall be structured to:

- 1. Develop educational programs most appropriate for students.
- 2. Clarify responsibility from students through teachers, administrators and the Superintendent, to the Board of Education.
- 3. Tell each member of the staff to whom he/she is responsible and for what functions.
- 4. Whenever possible, have each member of the staff responsible to only one immediate supervisor for any one function.
- 5. Designate a person to whom a staff member can appeal a disagreement with the person to whom the staff member is directly responsible.
- 6. Inform each staff member to whom he/she can go for help in working out his/her own functions in the district program.
- 7. Keep each staff member advised of policies, functions and progress of the district.

Policy adopted:

Existing policies, presently numbered 2110 adopted 9/25/12, 2112.14 adopted 11/25/08 and 2112.9 adopted 10/27/59, appropriate as combined and renumbered.

#### Administration

#### **Superintendent Job Description**

Title:

**Superintendent of Schools** 

Responsible to:

**Board of Education** 

The Superintendent of Schools is the Chief Executive Officer of the Board of Education and is responsible to the Board for the most effective and efficient operation possible within resources allocated.

## **Performance Responsibilities**

#### General

- 1. Supervises, either directly or through delegation, all activities of the school system according to the policies of the Board.
- 2. Interprets and clarifies the purposes and needs of the school system to Board, staff, and public.
- 3. Coordinates the total educational program and provides leadership in its development and improvement.
- 4. Represents the district in its dealings with other school systems, institutions and agencies, community organizations, and the general public.
- 5. Reports to the Board matters material to the understanding and proper management of the schools.
- 6. Employs personnel as may be necessary within the limits of budgetary provisions. No position may be filled unless the Board has previously approved a position description for that position. Periodically provides the Board of Education with lists of appointees, such lists to become a part of official Board of Education minutes. Administrative and supervisory personnel are subject to the approval of the Board.
- 7. Makes all administrative decisions within the school system necessary to the proper function of the school district.
- 8. Administers the appropriate implementation of all constitutional or statutory laws, state and charter regulations, and Board policies.

#### **Superintendent Job Description**

# **Performance Responsibilities**

# General (continued)

- 9. Exercises power to make regulations and gives such instructions to school employees and students as may be necessary to implement Board policy.
- 10. Acts at own discretion if action is necessary in any matter not covered by Board policy, reports such action to the Board as soon as practicable, and recommends policy in order to provide guidance in the future.
- 11. Delegates at own discretion to other employees of the Board the exercise of any powers or the discharge of any duties with the knowledge that the delegation of power or duty does not relieve the Superintendent of final responsibility for the action taken under such delegation.
- 12. Assumes responsibility for the effective and efficient operation of the schools, and the various specialized areas of administration including pupil services, business management, plant management, transportation, and research.
- 13. Initiates and guides the development of policies for Board consideration, and develops such administrative regulations and procedures as may be necessary to implement Board policies.
- 14. Performs annual performance evaluation on immediate subordinates.
- 15. Shall have the authority to close the schools temporarily, whenever conditions, in his judgment, are such as to endanger the health and well-being of students.
- 16. In cooperation with the Chairperson of the Board and Executive Committee, prepares the agenda for meetings of the Board of Education.
- 17. Attends and participates in all regular and special meetings of the Board.
- 18. Performs such other tasks as may from time to time be assigned by the Board.

#### **Superintendent Job Description**

## Performance Responsibilities (continued)

#### Noninstructional

- 1. Assumes responsibility for the overall financial planning of the district for the preparation of the annual budget, and submits it to the Board for review and approval.
- 2. Establishes and maintains efficient procedures and effective controls for all expenditures of school funds in accordance with the adopted budget. Shall approve for correctness bills, accounts, and payrolls for all employees.
- 3. Guides the process of fiscal planning and budgetary development and interpretation.
- 4. Files, or causes to be filed, all reports required by the state and the Enfield Board of Education.
- 5. Acts as purchasing agent for the Board, and establishes procedures for the purchase of books, materials, and supplies.
- 6. Maintains adequate records for the schools, including a system of financial accounts; business and property records; and personnel, school population, and scholastic records. Acts as custodian of such records and of all contracts, securities, documents, title papers, books of records, and other papers belonging to the Board.

#### Instructional

- 1. Defines educational needs and formulates policies and plans for recommendation to the Board.
- 2. Formulates school objectives, policies, plans, and programs; and prepares (or causes to be prepared) and presents facts and explanations necessary to assist the Board in its duty of legislation for the schools.
- 3. Recommends the establishment or alteration of attendance boundaries for all schools in the interest of good administration of the instructional program, and approves the special transfer of students from one neighboring district to another only when, in the Superintendents opinion, conditions in each case warrant such action.
- 4. Represents the schools before the public, and maintains, through cooperative leadership, both within and without the schools, such a program of publicity and public relations as may keep the public informed as to the activities, needs, and successes of the schools.

#### **Superintendent Job Description**

#### **Performance Responsibilities**

# **Instructional** (continued)

- 5. Maintains directly or through delegation such personnel records, pupil accounting records, business records, and other records, which are required by law and by Board policy.
- 6. Keeps abreast of latest educational trends by the most effective means.
- 7. Studies and revises, together with the staff, all curriculum guides and courses of study, on a continuing basis.
- 8. Authorizes field trips of an educational nature.

#### Office Hours

The Superintendent shall keep regular office hours in the space provided by the Board of Education, with other accommodations by arranged appointment.

# Reports on Performance of Teachers

She/he shall report to the Board of Education the failure of any teacher or other employee to do satisfactory work, to comply with the rules of the Board or to follow out his/her directions. She/he shall require each Principal to report to him or the Assistant Superintendents, once each semester, on the probationary teachers. In cases where unsatisfactory progress is evident or some difficulty is foreseen, a conference will be arranged to include the Principal, Superintendent, and/or Assistant Superintendent. Before the re-election of a probationary teacher in February of each school year, the Superintendent of Schools shall submit a Teacher's Evaluation Record from the Principal of the school concerned along with the Superintendent's own recommendation concerning such re-election. Upon request of the Superintendent of Schools, Principals shall also submit a Teacher's Evaluation Record on any teacher already on tenure.

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

# **Assistant Superintendent of Schools**

The Assistant Superintendent of Schools shall perform such duties and exercise such activities as may be required of or conferred upon him/her by the law, the Superintendent of Schools and/or the Board of Education. The Assistant Superintendent functions as an integral and contributing member of the district's management team. S/he will provide leadership in developing, achieving, and maintaining the best educational programs and services as directed by the Superintendent. S/he will assist the Superintendent in the areas of curriculum, instruction, learning, staff development, supervision, remediation, securing state/federal funding, personnel, and evaluation.

#### Hiring

The Board of Education will act upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools with regard to the hiring of an Assistant Superintendent. In carrying out his/her duties, the Assistant Superintendent shall be guided by the applicable job description.

Policy adopted:

#### A new regulation to consider.

#### Administration

## **Assistant Superintendent of Schools**

The major areas of responsibility for the Assistant Superintendent are:

- 1. Assists the Superintendent in directing the administration and coordination of the district's educational programs and assumes responsibility for the school system in the absence of the Superintendent.
- 2. Supervises the work of recruiting, selecting, assigning, transferring, counseling, and administering professionally certified employees.
- 3. Supervises teacher evaluation and professional development programs.
- 4. Supervises district-wide research and testing for measuring the effectiveness of the total educational program.
- 5. Plans and coordinates public information and relation efforts of the school system.
- 6. Assists in the preparation and administration of the budget.
- 7. Supervises and coordinates curriculum and instructional improvement programs in conjunction with supervisory staff, Principals and teachers.
- 8. Initiates and administers in-service programs in conjunction with supervisory staff, Principals, and teachers.
- 9. Assumes responsibility for development and publication of school calendar.
- 10. Insures a continuous orientation program for new teachers and administration.
- 11. Seeks ways and means of continually improving and implementing the supervisory and administrative services in the total school program.
- 12. Participates in appropriate local, state and national professional meetings.
- 13. Attends Board meetings and prepares such reports for the Board as the Superintendent may request.
- 14. Assists in supervising, evaluating and directing the work of all administrative personnel.
- 15. Conducts and coordinates Principals' meetings.
- 16. Counsels administrators, teachers, students, and parents relative to student suspensions, expulsions and discipline.
- 17. Consults with school department personnel regarding interpretation of implementation of Board of Education policies and administrative rules and regulations.
- 18. Assists in the development, interpretation and administration of policies, personnel contracts, administrative rules, and long-range educational planning.
- 19. Performs such other tasks and assumes such other responsibilities as the Superintendent may from time to time assign.

Regulation approved:

Existing policies, presently numbered 2212 and 2212.2 adopted 11/25/08, appropriate as combined and renumbered.

## Administration

## **Principal**

#### **General Functions**

The Principal shall act as the Chief Administrative Officer for the school(s) the Principal is assigned to, and the Principal is directly responsible to the Superintendent for the total program in that school. All personnel, certified and classified, as well as students and visitors, are under the Principal's authority when in the school(s) under the Principal's supervision. The Principal is responsible for the full and accurate implementation of both Board of Education policy and administrative regulations emanating from the Superintendent of Schools.

## **Supervision of Students**

The Principal will require that all students be under the direct supervision of a member of the staff at all times during the school day. In the event a teacher must be absent for a brief period of time from the group the teacher is supervising, arrangements must be made so that another member of the staff assumes this responsibility. In fulfilling this policy, the Principal will be responsible for establishing teacher schedules allocating the necessary teachers to both outdoor and indoor supervision at lunch and recess periods. This schedule will also involve supervision before the arrival of the first school bus in the morning and after school hours until the departure of the last bus.

Policy adopted:

## **Principals**

The Principal shall be responsible to the Superintendent of Schools. He/she shall develop the educational program of his/her school in accordance with the needs of the students and within the framework of the established policy for the total school system. The teachers and all other personnel of the school shall be directly responsible to the Principal for the satisfactory fulfillment of the duties assigned to them. The Principal shall administer and supervise his/her school in accordance with policies and regulations prescribed by the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools. The Principal shall have the following specific duties and responsibilities:

- 1. guide and encourage the school's professional personnel in their educational work and their professional growth, so as to secure continuous improvement of instruction and to promote healthy growth and adjustment of the students;
- 2. create an environment wherein teachers and students may achieve mutual understanding, a high sense of morale, and the best possible working conditions;
- 3. take all precautions to safeguard the safety, health, and well-being of students and staff members, including formulation of plans to meet emergencies;
- 4. be responsible for maintaining close and cooperative relations with parents and the community, and interpret them to the educational program of the school;
- 5. keep the Superintendent of Schools informed about the conditions and needs of the schools:
- 6. maintain an inventory of supplies, equipment and furniture within the school, estimate the annual financial requirements of the school in conjunction with preparation of the annual school budget, and submit requisitions for supplies, equipment, and other items required by the school;
- 7. provide for office hours within his/her school unit beyond the school year as needed in order to promote the best interests of his/her schools; and
- 8. perform such other duties as may be requested by the Superintendent of Schools.

The Principal will be responsible for community relations, administration, business management, personnel, students, and instruction. The Principal further, will exercise direct control through his/her own office over those non-instructional functions which are performed; these would include custodial services, cafeteria operations, transportation, and maintenance of plant and grounds.

The Principal will also schedule and arrange through his/her own office the use of the school building and facilities by outside organizations.

The Principal will attend system-wide Principals' meetings and will receive the information given to all Principals in the school system.

Regulation approved:

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# **Assistant Principals**

The Assistant Principal shall perform duties as may be delegated to him/her by the Principal and shall assume the responsibilities of the Principal in case of the latter's absence.

Policy adopted:

## Administration

## Curriculum Administrator, Leaders and Coordinators

## **Appointment**

The Superintendent may appoint such Curriculum Administrator, Curriculum Leaders, and Curriculum Coordinators as he/she shall deem necessary, to carry out the purposes of the Board and expedient in the public interest.

#### **Functions**

Such instructional support staff shall be responsible to the Superintendent or designee and shall keep the Superintendent or designee informed of all activities under their jurisdiction by whatever means the Superintendent and designee deem appropriate.

Curriculum Leaders and Coordinators will provide expertise in specific areas of the curriculum and exert leadership in the continuous development, implementation, and evaluation of the K-12 programs. It will also be the function of these staff members to work cooperatively with principals, directors, and staff in curriculum development and implementation.

Policy adopted:

### Administration

## **Director of Finance and Operations**

Reports to:

Superintendent of Schools

**Supervises:** 

The Director of Finance and Operations shall be responsible for the management, operation, supervision, coordination and implementation of the cafeteria, transportation, facilities inventory, data processing, purchasing, and financial recordkeeping programs and the staff who work in these

programs.

Qualifications:

Certification: Must possess valid certification as a School Business

Manager in Connecticut.

## Performance Responsibilities:

- 1. Supervises and takes responsibility for the financial business of the district, including handling of all funds, accounting and reporting procedures and long-range planning.
- 2. Administers, through the Director of Facilities Coordinator, the operation of the school plant.
- 3. Administers the student transportation program.
- 4. Administers the data processing program.
- 5. Administers through the Cafeteria Manager, the district's school lunch program.
- 6. Acts as advisor to the Superintendent in the preparation of the school budget and establishes a program of budget forecasting and control.
- 7. Develops and administers a program for purchasing supplies and equipment.
- 8. Assumes responsibility with the Superintendent for the employment, job status and supervision of business office personnel.
- 9. Develops in-service training programs for business personnel.
- 10. Maintains an up-to-date inventory of school property.
- 11. Prepares all bidding documents, including notice to bidders, instruction to bidders, specifications and form of proposal.
- 12. Works to maintain effective district-community relations and interprets the financial concerns of the district to the community.
- 13. Facilitates the work of the district's auditor in the auditor's development of the annual financial audit.
- 14. Prepares and/or causes to have prepared all required state and federal financial reporting documents.

# **Director of Finance and Operations**

# Performance Responsibilities (continued)

- 15. Administers all grant applications, follow-up, and accounting and/or assists appropriate staff in these functions.
- 16. Consults with the Superintendent and other personnel on questions relating to the district's business and financial concerns and performs additional duties as assigned.
- 17. Assumes such other functions as may be delegated by the Superintendent of Schools.

Policy adopted:

# A new regulation to consider.

#### Administration

# **Director of Management and Personnel Services**

The major areas of responsibility of the Director of Management and Personnel Services shall include the following:

#### **Business Services**

- 1. Supervise the financial affairs of the district, including handling of all funds, accounting and reporting procedures, insurance programs and long-range planning.
- 2. Develop and administer a program for purchasing supplies and equipment.
- 3. Supervise data processing procedures to provide management information, evaluation techniques, and long-range forecasts.
- 4. Assume responsibility for the employment and job status of business office personnel.
- 5. Supervise clerical personnel in the business office.
- 6. Supervise a program of budget control.
- 7. Develop in-service training programs for business personnel.
- 8. Serve as a consultant on any grant proposal originating in the district.
- 9. Supervise the development of monthly and annual financial reports as required.
- 10. Consult with Superintendent and other personnel on questions relating to the district's business affairs.
- 11. Supervise the district's supporting services of property, transportation, purchasing, food and business services.
- 12. Work to maintain effective district-community relations, and interprets the financial concerns of the district to the community.
- 13. Maintain an up-to-date inventory of school property.
- 14. Compile necessary statistical data for the preparation of the fiscal budget.
- 15. Prepare financial reports as required by state and federal agencies having jurisdiction over public school funds.

## **Director of Management and Personnel Services (continued)**

#### **Business Services** (continued)

16. Advise Superintendent on business and financial questions and performs additional management duties as assigned.

#### **Personnel Services**

- 1. Negotiate and implement all classified personnel bargaining union and non-union contracts and agreements.
- 2. Establish and maintain appropriate personnel records for all staff members.
- 3. Serve as a resource person for the staff on the district's employee benefit programs, including group health insurance, disability insurance, retirement plans, sick leave, personal leave, other leaves of absence, and other related or emerging employee benefit plans.
- 4. Administer all employee benefit programs.
- 5. Keep abreast of governmental statutes, regulations, and rules relating to personnel administration, and advise interested parties of the provisions of the law.
- 6. Assist with research pertaining to personnel, including salary research, studies of staff characteristics, professional standards, and other pertinent projects.
- 7. Draw up job descriptions for new staff positions and coordinate the periodic review and revision of existing job descriptions for non-certified personnel.
- 8. Recruit competent office, buildings and grounds, and food services personnel.
- 9. Plan and direct programs of orientation, in-service education, and performance training, and provide for a periodic written performance evaluation of all non-certified personnel.
- 10. Develop and maintain personnel handbooks for classified employees.
- 11. Process recommendations for termination of non-certified employees, assembling substantiating information for dismissal of employees and arranging any necessary conferences and hearings.
- 12. Conduct exit interviews of non-certified personnel leaving the district.

Regulation approved:

## Administration

#### **Director of Curriculum and Instruction**

## A. Qualifications

- 1. Hold or be eligible for Connecticut certification as an Intermediate Administrator or Supervisor.
- 2. Advanced degree preferred.
- 3. Evidence of significant accomplishments in K-12 curriculum and instruction.
- 4. At least three years of experience as a school administrator, preferably with experience in district-wide program responsibilities.
- 5. Knowledge and experience in the areas of curriculum development, instruction, staff development, testing, and evaluation.
- 6. Knowledge of current cognitive theory and current pedagogical practice.

## B. Reports to the Superintendent of Schools

# C. Performance Responsibilities

#### 1.0 General

- 1.1 In consultation with the superintendent and administrators, establish short and long term action plans for the position on a defined priority basis, and prepare strategies for achieving action plan goals.
- 1.2 Attend Board meetings and prepare reports as requested by the superintendent.
- 1.3 Be knowledgeable about governmental statutes, regulations, and rules pertaining to curriculum, instruction, and teacher evaluation and provide advice to interested parties of the relevant provisions of the law.
- 1.4 Draft and propose Board policies related to curriculum and instruction.
- 1.5 Coordinate the preparation and submission of all state and federal reports in the area of responsibilities, testing all reports to verify their accuracy before recommending approval and signature by the Superintendent.
- 1.6 Assist in the development and management of the budget that pertain to curriculum, testing, instruction, staff, development, and other areas as directed by the Superintendent.
- 1.7 Lead the administrators in examining and interpreting the results of the CMT, CAPT, and other assessment instruments, and in sharing those results with the Board and the public.
- 1.8 Chair the district's staff development committee.
- 1.9 In conjunction with the district's library/media specialist, oversee the development of building-level professional libraries containing educational materials for staff use, including a variety of curriculum guides, professional journals, and instructional materials.

## **Director of Curriculum and Instruction**

## C. Performance Responsibilities (continued)

- 1.10 Monitor CEU and CEU equivalent applications.
- 1.11 Write grants in support of the educational program.
- 1.12 Accept additional assignments in the areas of responsibility as directed by the Superintendent.

#### 2.0 Curriculum

- 2.1 Supervise, coordinate, and evaluate the implementation of a Pre-K-12 Curriculum Master Plan under the general direction of the Superintendent and in accord with the district's strategic plan.
- 2.2 Direct the development and improvement of the curriculum, ensuring implementation and articulation of curriculum within and among buildings.
- 2.3 Establish a district-wide curriculum format.
- 2.4 Chair the K-12 Curriculum Council.
- 2.5 Coordinate and assess the development of new programs in curriculum, instruction, and program assessment.
- 2.6 Coordinate the preparation, editing, distribution, and maintenance of all printed and/or electronic curriculum materials, guides, and related materials.
- 2.7 Present curriculum reports to the Board as directed by the Superintendent.
- 2.8 Serve as Executive Secretary to the Board's Education Committee.
- 2.9 Conduct and coordinate research studies, disseminate and interpret findings to staff, administration, Board members, students, parents, and other appropriate parties.
- 2.10 Collaborate with building administrators and other appropriate staff under the direction of the Superintendent, to improve professional development and training opportunities related to curriculum issues.
- 2.11 Coordinate all state-wide and federal standardized testing programs and ensure, within reasonable limits, the synchronizing of the curriculum to these assessment instruments.
- 2.12 Assist in the selection of materials for curriculum implementation.

#### 3.0 Instruction

- 3.1 Support the superintendent and administrators in all areas related to teacher recruitment.
- 3.2 Develop, propose, and coordinate programs to retain high performing teachers.
- Provide overall leadership in the implementation and continuous improvement of the teacher evaluation program.

## **Director of Curriculum and Instruction**

- 3.0 Instruction (continued)
- 3.4 Develop, organize, and/or conduct staff development programs as appropriate.
- 3.5 Encourage sound instructional innovation by supporting teacher inquiry and action research.
- 3.6 Consult with administrators regarding the supervision and evaluation of teachers whose performance requires improvement.
- 3.7 Assume leadership responsibilities in data warehousing under the supervision of the Superintendent.
- 3.8 In consultation with the Superintendent, pursue grant opportunities within areas of responsibility and administer same.
- 3.9 Study all federal and state legislation, projects, and programs for the possibilities and opportunities they offer for educational grants, entitlements, and allocations offered relevant to the needs of the district.
- 3.10 Coordinate the writing of all project proposals to be submitted to the State Department of Education or other designated agencies for approval in the manner required by law.
- 3.11 Complete all state reports in a timely manner within areas of responsibility.
- 3.12 Evaluate, with administrators, projects proposed by members of the staff for their relevance to the district's plans and needs.

# 4.0 Public and Community Relations

- 4.1 Establish and maintain productive relationships with local community groups and individuals to foster understanding and to solicit support for curriculum, instruction, and assessment initiatives.
- 4.2 Answer public and parent inquiries regarding curriculum, instruction, and implementation issues.
- 4.3 Address student and parent appeals relative to curriculum and instructional issues as directed by the Superintendent.
- 4.4 Coordinate all public information regarding curriculum and instructional programs.

# D. Terms of Employment

1.0 12-month employee under the terms of the contract with the Enfield Administrators' Association.

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

#### **Athletic Director**

The athletic director is an individual responsible for administering the athletic program of a school or school district under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education (Board). The supervision of athletic coaches is the responsibility of the athletic director. The athletic director shall work with other administrators in the development and monitoring of all athletic/physical education related programs.

**Note:** An "athletic coach" means any person holding a coaching permit issued by the State Board of Education hired by the Board of Education to coach a sport for a sport season as part of intramural or interscholastic athletics for a school or school district.

#### Qualifications

Two levels of athletic director qualifications exist, one for school director and one for school district director. Both standards apply to those hired on or after October 1, 2013.

A school athletic director must hold a State Board of Education (SBE)-issued coaching permit and a (1) state teaching certificate or (2) national athletic administrators' association-issued certificate, as approved by the State Department of Education (SDE).

A school district director must hold a SBE-issued coaching permit and a (1) state teacher's certificate with an intermediate administrator and supervisor endorsement or (2) national athletic administrators association-issued master certificate, as approved by SDE.

Any director responsible for evaluating coaches who are certified teachers, administrators, or other certified school staff must hold a state teacher's certificate with an intermediate administrator and supervisor endorsement.

School or school district athletic directors hired before October 1, 2013, who do not meet the standards listed above can continue to serve in their current positions if they meet the current director qualifications stated in State Department of Education regulations. The regulations require (1) nonsupervisory directors at a school to hold a coaching permit, (2) supervisory directors at a school to hold a permit and teacher's certificate, and (3) district directors or directors who evaluate certified staff to hold a teacher's certificate with an endorsement for intermediate administration or supervision. **Note:** The Board of Education is prohibited from hiring a person "grandfathered" in at another district for its district, unless the person can meet the standards listed for hiring after October 1, 2013.

Athletic Director (continued)

## **Duties of the Athletic Director** (School or District)

The responsibilities of a school or district athletic director include the following:

- 1. Ensuring that each athletic coach in the athletic program holds a SBE-issued coaching permit;
- 2. Supervising and annually evaluating athletic coaches, according to the provisions of P.A.13-41;
- 3. Supervising students participating in interscholastic athletics;
- 4. Possessing knowledge and understanding of the governing authority for interscholastic athletics and the related rules and regulations;
- 5. Administering and arranging the scheduling of and transportation to athletic activities and events;
- 6. Administering and arranging the hiring of officials;
- 7. Ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all athletic activities and events; and
- 8. Any other duties relevant to the organization and administration of the athletic program for the school or school district.

(cf. 4115.3 – Evaluation of Coaches)

Legal Reference:

**Connecticut General Statutes** 

P.A. 13-41 An Act Concerning Hiring Standards for Athletic Directors

10-222e Policy on evaluation and termination of athletic coaches (as amended by P.A. 13-41)

10-149 Qualifications for coaches of intramural and interscholastic athletics coaches (as amended by P.A. 13-41)

Policy adopted:

## Administration

# **Superintendent of Schools**

The Board of Education will elect and fix the term of office and salary of a Superintendent who serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the Board and has authority and responsibility for the supervision of the school system.

At the request of the Superintendent, the Board shall provide a written contract of employment which includes salary, benefits and term of office of the Superintendent.

Each year, the Board will evaluate the Superintendent in accordance with guidelines and criteria mutually determined and agreed upon by both the Board and the Superintendent.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

10-157 Superintendents.

Policy adopted:

Existing policy, presently numbered 2111 adopted 11/25/08, appropriate as renumbered.

#### Administration

# **Superintendent of Schools**

# **Appointment**

Whenever there is a vacancy in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall elect, at a special meeting called for that purpose, a Superintendent for a term of office not to exceed three years. The Superintendent must be elected by a two-thirds vote (6) of the membership of the whole Board.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

10-157 Superintendents

Policy adopted:

Existing policy, presently numbered 2112.4 adopted 5/12/15, appropriate as renumbered, modified and with addition of legal reference.

## Administration

## **Employment of Administrators**

When employing administrators and other persons of leadership within the school system, the Superintendent shall seek out and recommend candidates who are most qualified for the job.

For those administrative and supervisory positions which report directly to the Superintendent and Deputy Assistant Superintendent (including but not limited to the following positions: Directors, Principals, Supervisor of Facilities, Business Manager, Deputy Assistant Superintendent of Schools, and directly reporting coordinators), the Superintendent shall provide the Board with a list of all applicants, resumes of those candidates interviewed, and present the most qualified candidate to the Board to be interviewed. Upon completion of the interview, the Superintendent shall nominate the candidate who, in his/her professional opinion, is best qualified for the position. The Board shall accept or reject such nomination within one month from its submission. If the Board rejects such nomination, the Superintendent shall submit to the Board another nomination and the Board shall accept or reject such nomination within one month from their submission.

For those administrative and supervisory positions not included above (including but not limited to coordinators reporting to Directors, Vice Principals/Housemasters, Assistant Supervisor of Facilities), the Superintendent shall provide the Board with resumes of the candidates interviewed and shall nominate the candidate who, in his/her professional opinion, is best qualified for the position. If the Board rejects such nomination, the Superintendent shall submit to the Board another nomination and the Board shall accept or reject such nomination within one month from their submission.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-151(b) Employment of teachers. Definitions. Tenure, etc. (as amended by P.A. 12-116, An Act Concerning Educational Reform)

Policy adopted:

Existing policy, presently numbered 2210 adopted 11/18/08, appropriate as renumbered.

#### Administration

#### **Transfer of Administrators**

This policy sets forth the guidelines for implementing the routine transfer of administrators in the Enfield Public School System.

The intent of this policy is two-fold: (1) to provide an opportunity for professional growth, and (2) to improve the educational environment throughout the school system by encouraging periodic renewal and revitalization of all faculty members at the affected schools. To the extent practical, such transfers are not to interfere with the completion of significant projects (i.e., accreditation projects, or the introduction of school wide curriculum changes).

The Board delegates to the Superintendent of Schools the responsibility for transfer assignments of personnel under this policy and outlines the following guidelines for the Superintendent's guidance:

- 1. Transfers will be based primarily on the best interest of the school district with the secondary consideration being the desire and interest of the school administrator. Administrator transfers may be initiated by the administrator or the Superintendent.
- 2. The administrator's involvement in normal year-to-year projects shall not preclude being transferred. However, when possible, involvement in significant projects (i.e., those having strategic import to the school system) shall be taken into consideration prior to any transfer being implemented.
- 3. Reassignment is assumed to be a positive action, which provides the opportunity for professional growth for the individuals involved. By "individuals" is meant not only the transferred personnel, but also the staffs, students, parents, and the community members at the school(s) involved.
- 4. Applicable contract language if any, between the Board and the Enfield School Administrators' Association (ESAA) pertaining to involuntary transfers will be in effect.
- 5. To assure reasonable stability and the implementation of multi-year plans, administrators should normally be allowed a minimum of seven (7) years in a building.
- 6. Normally and whenever possible, the Superintendent shall notify affected individuals of their transfer no later than the June 1 preceding the beginning of the school year in which the transfer will take effect.

The Superintendent of Schools may waive these guidelines when he/she believes that a school's geographic location, specific instruction program, or other unusual circumstances require an administrator to remain longer at or move sooner from a school.

Policy adopted:

## Administration

#### **Orientation of Administrative Personnel**

The Board of Education, cognizant of the special importance of a sound beginning experience for each new administrator and of the adjustment each new staff member must make in a new situation, consonant with its philosophy to ensure the best possible instruction and educational service for students and the best possible professional growth and development for its administrative personnel, shall, therefore, strive to provide appropriate, timely and substantial orientation and in-service training for its administrative personnel.

To this end, the Superintendent shall be responsible for the development and implementation of orientation programs for new administrative personnel and for the institution and implementation of in-service training programs and activities to orient administrative personnel to newly adopted educational programs and procedures. In carrying out this responsibility, the Superintendent will involve various administrative, supervisory, and other professional staff members and resource persons from within the school system and from outside the school system as deemed appropriate.

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

# **Administrative Operations**

The Board of Education will determine the policies to guide the decision-making process governing all activities of the schools. In setting these policies, it may seek the advice and assistance of the employees or their organizations, and other relevant persons or groups.

The Superintendent is responsible to the Board for the administration of the schools under applicable laws and the policies of the Board. In addition, the Superintendent shall prepare in detail, where applicable, the rules and regulations for implementing the approved policies.

The Superintendent shall organize the staff so all clearly understand the functions of each and the relationship between and among them; establish clear lines of communication, both vertically and horizontally; establish the necessary councils and committees to provide for efficient operation. All groups shall be given specific responsibilities, and channels shall be established so that the recommendations or decisions of each group can be heard and reviewed by the administration and, where appropriate, by the Board.

The Superintendent shall balance the delegation of responsibility with commensurate authority subject to legal powers of the Board.

(cf. 2121 - Lines of Responsibility)

(cf. 2220 - Representative and Deliberate Groups)

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

10-157 Superintendents

Policy adopted:

Existing policy, presently numbered 2450 adopted 11/25/08, appropriate as renumbered.

## Administration

# **Review of Administrative Decisions**

In the situations which arise within the schools where the Board has provided no guides for administrative action, the Superintendent shall have power to act, but the decision shall be subject to review by action of the Board. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to inform the Board promptly of such action, and the need for policy.

Policy adopted:

## A new policy.

## Administration

# Representative and Deliberative Groups

The Board of Education encourages the Superintendent and administrative staff to create and maintain appropriate groups such as councils, cabinets and committees to:

- 1. Foster good communications with the staff, students and the public.
- 2. Allow staff, students, and the public a voice in decisions affecting them.
- 3. Establish effective channels of communication for the public, the students and the district staff.

Policy adopted:

## Administration

#### **Administrative Councils and Committees**

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish such permanent or temporary councils and committees as the administration deems necessary for proper administration of Board policies and for the improvement of the total educational program.

All councils and committees created by the Superintendent shall be for the purpose of obtaining, to a maximum degree, the advice and counsel of personnel of the district and to aid in district communication. Functioning in an advisory capacity, such groups may make recommendations for submission to the Board through the Superintendent. However, such groups shall exercise no inherent authority. Authority for establishing policy remains with the Board and authority for implementing policy remains with the Superintendent.

The membership, composition, and responsibilities of administrative councils and committees shall be defined by the Superintendent and may be changed at his/her discretion.

Policy adopted:

## Administration

#### **Consultants**

Consultants may be hired on a part-time basis to provide data and expertise to assist the Superintendent, Board and the professional staff in carrying out their purposes. All consultants must be approved by the Superintendent, and cases involving honorarium and/or other costs must be within the approved Board of Education budget parameters. If budgeted funds are not available, Board approval must be secured prior to the invitation and arrangement for visitation by such person or persons,

Policy adopted:

#### Administration

## **Control and Communication Channels and Systems**

# Records and Recordkeeping

The Superintendent will ensure that all legally required and other appropriate and necessary records are maintained on file by the Enfield School District, including financial accounts, business records, property inventories, personnel information, school population, scholastic records, and other information appropriate to District operation.

The Superintendent of Schools is the custodian of all records maintained in the Central Office. The School Principals are the custodians of all student records maintained in the office of each District School.

All Central Office and Principals' Office records will be stored as required by state or federal statute and regulations either in fireproof files or other suitable storage containers and will be treated according to the general provisions governing public records.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

1-18 Disposition of original documents

1-213 to 1-225 The Freedom of Information Act.

4-193 Agency's duties re: personal data

7-27 Municipal records to be kept in fire-resistive vaults or safes.

7-27a Destruction of original land records or instruments

10-15b Access of parent or guardians to student's records.

10-209 Records not to be public.

17b-90 Disclosure of information concerning program applicants and participants

17a-28 Definitions. Confidentiality of and access to records; exceptions.

Procedures for aggrieved persons. Regulations.

19a-215 Reports of diseases on the commissioner's list of reportable diseases and laboratory findings. Confidentiality.

46b-11 Closed hearings and records

46b-124 Confidentiality of records of juvenile records

46b-56 (e) Access to Records of Minors. 11-8b Transfer or disposal of public records

Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20

U.S.C.1232s.).

Policy adopted:

## A new policy.

#### Administration

## **Policy and Regulation Systems**

## **Policy Manual**

The Superintendent shall establish and maintain an orderly plan for preserving and making accessible policies and bylaws adopted by the Board, and the regulations of the administration. Board policies, Board bylaws, and administrative regulations shall be published in a manual, maintained in current condition, and made available to all persons concerned.

#### **Policies**

Policies are statements of intent adopted by the Board of Education. They serve as guides to the administration in the development and implementation of regulations for operating the district.

The Superintendent is an integral part of this policy-making process recommending to the Board areas requiring policy adoption or change. The Superintendent shall develop a regulation specifying how policies will be developed and presented to the Board.

# Regulations

Consistent with policy, the Superintendent shall specify required staff actions, and design the administrative arrangements under which the schools are to be operated. Those regulations and procedures which apply throughout the district shall be designated as `regulations," and placed in the district policy manual. Regulations shall be presented to the Board but the Board will not adopt regulations unless requested to do so by the Superintendent or unless required by federal or state law. The Superintendent is responsible for development and implementation of district regulations. He/she shall develop a system involving staff members in development and implementation of regulations. Regulations should be complete, consistent with adopted Board policy, and capable of reasonable implementation.

#### **Bylaws**

Bylaws are the rules governing internal operations of the Board of Education. When need for a new bylaw, or modification of an existing bylaw is recognized, the Board will consider an effective new or modified bylaw for adoption. The same procedure used for development of policies shall be used for development of bylaws.

Policy adopted:

## A new regulation to consider.

## Administration

## Policy and Regulation Systems

## Functions and Composition of Committees and Channels

#### 1. Board of Education

The Board of Education is responsible for the development of policy and, according to law, must adopt policy (cf. 9311). It receives recommended drafts from the Superintendent, individual Board members and/or the policy committee. The Board may accept and adopt drafts, return them to the policy committee or Superintendent with requests for specific changes, or reject them outright. The Board may originate a request for a needed policy through the policy committee and/or Superintendent.

## 2. Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent of Schools transmits recommended policy drafts to the Board with request for action. The Superintendent receives drafts from the Chairperson of the appropriate committee, and may accept drafts, or refer them back with requests for specific changes. The Superintendent must act within thirty (30) days and notify the committee of his/her action. The Superintendent approves rules and regulations (cf. 9313). The Superintendent may receive and approve drafts, return them to the submitting committee with request for specific changes, or reject them outright.

#### 3. Committees

Each area of policies shall have a committee of Board of Education members and others if desirable to receive recommendations for new or modified policies or rules and regulations.

The committee will also recommend its own policy changes. The committee shall review once each year all the policies in the particular area for improvements. At least one administrator shall meet with the committee as well as the person who shall write drafts as requested.

## **Distributing Revised Pages to Manual Holders**

Whenever the Board adopts, revises or deletes policies or bylaws, and whenever the administration approves, revises or deletes regulations, all holders of policy, bylaw and regulations manuals must be notified.

The notification task is a responsibility of the Superintendent or designee, and the Superintendent or designee is assigned to care for the manuals and to see that they are all kept current.

Copies of new or revised policies, bylaws and regulations should be prepared and distributed to all manual holders with the aid of a form furnished by the Central Office. Actual copies of the new material will be attached to the form prior to its being distributed.

The Superintendent is responsible for the care of the manuals, and shall keep a master file of the distributed materials, and check all manuals at least annually for currency.

Regulation approved:

ENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS Enfield, Connecticut

(Reviewed and approved by Policy Review Committee)

## Administration

# Administrative Reports/School District Annual Report/Announcements

The Board shall require reports from the Superintendent of Schools concerning the state of the school system.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for submitting to the Board an annual report indicating the effectiveness of the instructional program, the condition of the schools, and plans and suggestions for their improvement as well as other items of interest to the Board members.

The Board shall file an annual financial report with the State in accordance with the law.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

10-157 Superintendent of Schools

10-222 Appropriations and budget

10-224 Duties of the Secretary

10-227 Returns of receipts, expenditures and statistics to state board.

Policy adopted:

# Administration

# **Treatment of Outside Reports**

Within a reasonable time after receiving reports from such outside agents as the auditor, fire department, and health officer, the Superintendent will inform the Board of the action taken upon the recommendations made in such reports.

Policy adopted:

## Administration

#### **Educational Research in District Schools**

All requests to conduct research within the School must be directed to the Superintendent of Schools. The following criteria will be utilized to make a determination regarding approval of such requests:

- 1. The study results in direct benefits or provides direct services to the children within the school district.
- 2. The study provides in-service opportunities for the growth and development of faculty and/or staff.
- 3. There shall be no expenditures of district funds or use of staff/faculty time unless there are benefits as described in 1 and 2 above.
- 4. Students participating in studies, authorized by school administration, must have the approval of their parents.

Policy adopted:

## A new regulation to consider.

#### Administration

#### **Educational Research in District Schools**

A screening committee, consisting of individuals named by the Superintendent, will assist in the process of determining the suitability and appropriateness of all research requests. Such determination will depend upon the applicant satisfactorily addressing the "Criteria for Research Approval" (see below), as well as any other recommendations for modification or clarification that are suggested by the screening committee.

It is expected that all applicants, both from within the system and from without, will submit a written request for permission to conduct research, along with an explicit proposal addressing the "Criteria," and all materials to be used in the research project. An interview with the applicant also may be required.

All requests for permission to conduct educational research must be approved prior to the commencement of the project.

## **In-System Requests for Project Approval**

A staff member who wishes to conduct a research project involving no cost to the system will usually be restricted to the member's assigned school. It is presumed that the applicant will have secured the permission of the building Principal prior to submitting the required documents mentioned above. Modifications to the instructional program, if any, required by staff member research projects, should be minor.

System-wide research efforts, initiated by central administration or other individuals within the district, involving broader based data collection efforts, and undertaken for internal use only, will be bound by the same application procedures mentioned above. The Superintendent or his designee, may make a specific request of the screening committee and the school committee to waive these requirements.

# **Out-of-System Requests for Project Approval**

Individuals or groups who seek permission to conduct research projects within the school district, and who are not part of the professional staff, must adhere to the application requirements outlined above. Moreover, while the School Committee wishes to cooperate with reasonable requests to conduct research, its primary obligation is to protect the rights of students who may be requested to participate.

## **Educational Research in District Schools** (continued)

Proposals and collateral materials will be reviewed by the Superintendent, as well as the system research screening committee. Approval will be based upon the acceptability of projects and their congruence with the following "Criteria for Research Approval." Proposed projects should:

- Offer promise of improving educational practice;
- Be organized so that there are few, if any, interruptions to the regular school programs;
- Pertain to relevant education problem;
- Contain an appropriate research design;
- Spell out procedures clearly;
- Respect the rights of individuals, including the confidentiality of personal data about students and employees;
- Obtain "informed consent" from the parents of all participating students.

# **Performance Expectations for Approved Studies**

Once a project proposal has been approved, the investigator will be obligated to fulfill the following:

- Respond to any concerns that are raised in the course of the research by participants, parents, teachers, or others who become involved;
- Whenever possible make any necessary adjustments which do not compromise the integrity or validity of the study;
- Secure approval for any publication of outcomes, enabling the Superintendent to determine if identification of the school or system will be in the best interest of the school district;
- Submit copies of all documents and any other materials developed as a consequence of the study, including, but not restricted to, theses, videotapes, summary reports, booklets, and any other account of project outcomes;
- Provide, if feasible, opportunities for professional staff and others to learn from the research findings and to utilize the results to improve instruction for children.

**Educational Research in District Schools** (continued)

# **Performance Expectations for the District Public Schools**

Upon receipt of a written request for permission to conduct research and supporting documentation, the system agrees to do the following;

- Carefully consider the application at one of the regularly scheduled meetings of the proposal screening committee.
- Interview the applicant, if necessary, to gather additional information about the proposed project;
- Assist in modifying the design or procedures if a proposal is deemed to have merit, but deficient in some minor way;
- Inform each applicant of the decision of the screening committee, and when permission is denied, offer a thorough explanation of why approval has not been granted;
- Provide any reasonable assistance to those investigators whose proposals have been approved.

Regulation approved:

A Code of Ethics adopted by the AASA Governing Board on March 1, 2007 to review.

## Administration

#### **Statement of Ethics for Administrators**

An educational administrator's professional behavior must conform to an ethical code of behavior, and the code must set high standards for all educational leaders. The educational leader provides professional leadership across the district and also across the community. This responsibility requires the leader to maintain standards of exemplary professional conduct while recognizing that his or her actions will be viewed and appraised by the community, professional associates and students.

The educational leader acknowledges that he or she serves the schools and community by providing equal educational opportunities to each and every child. The work of the leader must emphasize accountability and results, increased student achievement, and high expectations for each and every student.

To these ends, the educational leader subscribes to the following statements of standards.

#### The educational administrator:

- 1. Makes the education and well-being of students the fundamental value of all decision making.
- 2. Fulfills all professional duties with honesty and integrity and always acts in a trustworthy and responsible manner.
- 3. Supports the principle of due process and protects the civil and human rights of all individuals.
- 4. Implements local, state, and national laws.
- 5. Advises the Board of Education and implements the Board's policies and administrative rules and regulations.
- 6. Pursues appropriate measures to correct those laws, policies, and regulations that are not consistent with sound educational goals or that are not in the best interest of children.
- 7. Avoids using his/her position for personal gain through political, social, religious, economic, or other influences.
- 8. Accepts academic degrees or professional certification only from accredited institutions.
- 9. Maintains the standards and seeks to improve the effectiveness of the profession through research and continuing professional development.
- 10. Honors all contracts until fulfillment, release, or dissolution mutually agreed upon by all parties.
- 11. Accepts responsibility and accountability for one's own actions and behaviors.
- 12. Commits to servicing others above self.

Regulation approved:

New material to consider.

#### Administration

## **Connecticut School Leadership Standards**

The Board of Education endorses the following "Connecticut School Leadership Standards" adopted by the Connecticut State Board of Education. These "Standards" represent the performance expectations desired of school administrators in this District.

## I. Performance Expectation 1: Vision, Mission, and Goals

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students by guiding the development and implementation of a shared vision of learning, a strong organizational mission, and high expectations for student performance.

Element A. High Expectations for All: Leaders ensure that the creation of the vision, mission and goals establish high expectations for all students and staff.

Element B. Shared Commitments to Implement the Vision, Mission and Goals: Leaders ensure that the process of implementing and sustaining the vision, mission, and goals is inclusive, building common understandings and commitment among all stakeholders.

Element C. Continuous Improvement toward the Vision, Mission and Goals: Leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students by consistently monitoring and refining the implementation of the vision, mission and goals.

# II. Performance Expectation 2: Teaching and Learning

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students by monitoring and continuously improving teaching and learning:

**Element A. Strong Professional Culture:** Leaders develop a strong professional culture which leads to quality instruction focused on student learning and the strengthening of professional competencies.

**Element B. Curriculum and Instruction:** Leaders understand and expect faculty to plan, implement, and evaluate standards-based curriculum and challenging instruction aligned with Connecticut and national standards.

**Element C. Assessment and Accountability:** Leaders use assessments, data systems, and accountability strategies to improve achievement, monitor and evaluate progress, and close achievement gaps.

# III. Performance Expectation 3: Organizational Systems and Safety

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students by managing organizational systems and resources for a safe, high-performing learning environment.

Element A. Welfare and Safety of Student, Faculty and Staff: Leaders ensure a safe environment by addressing real and potential challenges to the physical and emotional safety and security of students, faculty and staff.

## **Connecticut School Leadership Standards**

# III. Performance Expectation 3: Organizational Systems and Safety (continued)

Element B. Operational Systems: Leaders distribute responsibilities and supervise management structures and practices to improve teaching and learning.

Element C. Fiscal and Human Resources: Leaders establish an infrastructure for finance and personnel that operates in support of teaching and learning.

# IV. Performance Expectation 4: Families and Stakeholders

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students by collaborating with families and other stakeholders to respond to diverse community interests and needs and to mobilize community resources.

Element A. Collaboration with Families and Community Members: Leaders ensure the success of all students by collaborating with families and other stakeholders.

Element B. Community Interests and Needs: Leaders respond and contribute to community interests and needs to provide high quality education for students and their families.

**Element C. Community Resources:** Leaders access resources shared among schools, district, and communities in conjunction with other organizations and agencies that provide critical resources for children and families.

## V. Performance Expectation 5: Ethics and Integrity

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students and staff by modeling ethical behavior and integrity.

Element A. Ethical and Legal Standards of the Profession: Leaders demonstrate ethical and legal behavior.

Element B. Personal Values and Beliefs: Leaders demonstrate a commitment to values, beliefs, and practices aligned with the vision, mission and goals for student learning.

**Element C. High Standards for Self and Others**: Leaders model and expect exemplary practices for personal and organizational performance, ensuring accountability for high standards of student learning.

# VI. Performance Expectation 6: The Education System

Education leaders ensure the success and achievement of all students and advocate for their students, faculty and staff needs by influencing social, cultural, economic, legal, and political contexts affecting education.

## **Connecticut School Leadership Standards**

VI. Performance Expectation 6: The Education System (continued)

Element A. Professional Influence: Leaders improve the broader social, cultural economic, legal, and political, contexts of education for all students and families.

Element B. The Educational Policy Environment: Leaders uphold and contribute to policies and political support for excellence and equity in education.

**Element C. Policy Engagement:** Leaders engage policymakers to inform and improve education policy.

Legal Reference:

"Common Core of Leading: Connecticut School Leadership Standards," adopted by the Connecticut State Board of Education, June 27, 2012.

Section 10-145d-400a. Code of Professional Responsibility for Educators

Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, Section 10-145d-400b Connecticut Code of Professional Responsibility for School Administrators

Policy adopted:

# A new policy to consider.

# Administration

# **Code of Professional Responsibilities**

The Board of Education endorses the following "Connecticut Code of Professional Responsibility for School Administrators." This "Code" represents the principles and standards that the Board expects to guide the decisions and actions of all District administrators.

#### Preamble

This code of professional responsibility for school administrators reaffirms and codifies the principles and standards that have guided the school administrator profession over the years. The principles set forth in this code are intended to guide the conduct and assist in the appraisal of conduct for the members of the profession and the public they serve. The code cannot, and does not address every situation in which choices and decisions must be made. The code recognizes the ability of the members of the profession to make administrative decisions that are in the best interest of the students and all individuals associated with the school district in which the members serve.

The code adheres to the fundamental belief that the student is the foremost reason for the existence of the profession. Administrators must focus the energies of schools on student learning above all else. In addition, the code recognizes the administrator's responsibility to the public, their colleagues and all staff members to foster high standards for professional educators, provide leadership, encourage diversity in curriculum and staff, and promote a quality educational program. By setting forth a code of professional responsibility for school administrators separate from the code applicable to teachers, there is a recognition of the similar but different responsibilities that the two groups have to the students they serve. Both codes seek to codify standards for the education profession to promote a quality system of education for the students in our state. The additional responsibility an administrator accepts in the performance of his or her duties is reflected in this code.

# Responsibility to the Student

The professional school administrator, in full recognition of obligations to the student, shall:

- 1. Make the well-being of students the fundamental value on all decision making and actions;
- 2. Recognize, respect and uphold the dignity and worth of students as individuals and deal justly and considerately with students;
- 3. Promote in students pursuit of truth, knowledge and wisdom, and provide access to all points of view without deliberate distortion of subject matter;

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# Responsibility to the Student (continued)

- 4. Nurture in students lifelong respect and compassion for themselves and other human beings regardless of race, ethnic origin, gender, social class, disability, religion or sexual orientation.
- 5. Foster in students the full understanding application and preservation of democratic principles and processes;
- 6. Guide students to acquire the required skills and understandings for participatory citizenship and to realize their obligation to be worthy and contributing members of society;
- 7. Assist students in the formulation of positive goals;
- 8. Promote the right and freedom of students to learn, explore ideas, develop learning skills and acquire the necessary knowledge to achieve their full potential;
- 9. Develop within students, fundamental critical thinking skills and problem-solving techniques;
- 10. Ensure quality education for all students;
- 11. Maintain confidentiality of all information concerning students obtained in the proper course of the educational process and dispense the information when prescribed or directed by law, governing board policy or professional practice;
- 12. Ensure that all students are provided educational opportunities in environments safe from sexual, physical, and emotional abuse; and
- 13. Promote ongoing development and evaluation of curriculum.

# Responsibility to the Profession and Staff

The professional school administrator, in full recognition of obligations to the profession, shall:

- 1. Maintain the highest standards of professional conduct, realizing that one's behavior reflects directly upon the status and substance of the profession;
- 2. Engage in administrative, supervisory and evaluative practices with staff members and provide leadership to ensure the highest standards of services for students;
- 3. Encourage student learning through the effective support of all staff engaged in the learning process;
- 4. Encourage the participation of administrators and teachers in the process of curriculum development and educational decision making;
- 5. Maintain the standards and seek to improve the effectiveness of the profession through research and continuing professional development for self and staff;
- 6. Promote the employment of only qualified, certified educators, and qualified non-certified staff;
- 7. Encourage promising, qualified and competent individuals to enter the education profession; and
- 8. Maintain the confidentiality of all information obtained in the proper course of one's administrative duties and dispense the information when prescribed or directed by law, governing board policy or professional practice.

# **Code of Professional Responsibilities**

# Responsibility to the Community

The professional school administrator, in full recognition of the public trust vested in the educational professional, shall:

- 1. Be cognizant of the influence of school administrators upon the community at large and, therefore, not knowingly misrepresent facts or make false statements;
- 2. Obey local, state and national laws;
- 3. Implement the governing board policies and administrative rules and regulations;
- 4. Encourage the community to exercise its responsibility to be involved in the formulation of educational policy;
- 5. Pursue appropriate measures to address those laws, policies and regulations that are inconsistent with sound educational goals;
- 6. Avoid misusing administrative position for personal gain;
- 7. Honor professional contracts until fulfillment, release or dissolution mutually agreed upon by all parties to contracts;
- 8. Promote the principles and ideals of democratic citizenship; and
- 9. Endeavor to secure equal educational opportunities for all children.

# Responsibility to the Student's Family

The professional school administrator, in full recognition of the responsibility to the student's family, shall;

- 1. Respect the dignity of each family, its culture, customs and beliefs;
- 2. Promote and maintain appropriate, ongoing and timely written and oral communications with the family;
- 3. Respond in a timely fashion to families' concerns;
- 4. Consider the family's perspective on issues involving its children;
- 5. Encourage participation of the family in the educational process; and
- 6. Foster open communication among the family, staff and administrators.

(cf. 4118.22 – Code of Ethics)

Legal Reference: Connecticut Code of Professional Responsibility for

Administrators

Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies

Section 10-145d-400a Section 10-145d-400b

Policy adopted:

ENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Enfield, Connecticut

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(Reviewed and approved by Policy Review Committee)

A recommended process jointly developed and adopted by CABE and CAPSS.

#### Administration

# **Evaluation of the Superintendent**

#### Preface

The Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) and the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents (CAPSS) recognize the critical importance of a strong partnership between every Board of Education and its Superintendent of Schools. This recommended evaluation process collaboratively developed by CABE and CAPSS is an attempt to properly communicate our strong belief that the Board of Education and Superintendent must view themselves and function as the school district's Leadership Team. To that end, we strongly believe that the Leadership Team must share and enthusiastically advocate the same goals and a vision of learning that sets high performance expectations for the entire school community.

It is important to note that the foundational components of the recommended evaluation process are the CABE/CAPSS School Governance Position Statement, adopted March 2004 and revised in 2014, and the CABE Superintendent evaluation instrument and the Board self-assessment. The Board of Education Chairperson, working with the Superintendent and the rest of the Board of Education, is responsible for carrying out the evaluation of the Leadership Team.

While the Board of Education and Superintendent have different roles and responsibilities, their work must complement each other. Ultimately, all serve to advance the goals and objectives of their community for public education and, most importantly, student learning. As the Board of Education's Chief Executive Officer, Connecticut Education Law (C.G.S. 10-157(a)) requires the Superintendent of Schools' job performance be evaluated annually. Whether written or oral, the annual evaluation of the school district's Chief Executive Officer is one of the most important responsibilities of every Board of Education.

CABE and CAPSS have recommended an evaluation process for the Superintendent of Schools that is collaborative, goal oriented and offers numerous opportunities for focused and targeted feedback from the Board of Education to the Superintendent of Schools regarding his/her job performance. We firmly believe that this collaborative and candid approach to evaluation will improve Board of Education and Superintendent communications and relationships, minimize evaluation surprises and most importantly, enhance the overall success of the school district.

Student achievement across all areas is important and must be assessed in multiple ways. Therefore, growth in student achievement has to be a factor in the assessment of the Superintendent's evaluations. All of the leadership performance areas and specific areas of responsibility outlined in this document should be considered. Indicators related to student academic achievement are necessary, but not sufficient to make final determinations about the Superintendent's job performance.

# **Evaluation of the Superintendent** (continued)

To increase the effectiveness of the school district's Leadership Team and the overall performance of the Board of Education and its individual members, CABE and CAPSS believe that it is vitally important that every Board of Education conducts a self-assessment each school year.

An annual self-assessment enables the Board of Education to thoughtfully and constructively evaluate its performance as the community's legislative body that develops, evaluates and oversees education policy. CABE and CAPSS strongly recommend Board of Education self-assessment as a necessary and worthwhile activity toward advancing the vision and goals of the school district. It is important that the Board factor the Superintendent's perspective into its self-assessment.

The following is a recommended process and timeline for the annual evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education self-assessment. It is important to note that the recommended timeline is based upon a traditional evaluation year model (July-June) and can be easily as necessary. The recommended Leadership Team meetings can and should be conducted in Executive Session because they pertain to Board of Education Self-Evaluation and Personnel.

# Legal Considerations: Executive Session and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

The Connecticut Freedom of Information law allows for the discussion in executive session of "personnel matters," which includes "the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public official or employee, provided that such individual may require that discussion be held at an open meeting" (Connecticut General Statute Section 1-200(6)). Under this provision the superintendent's evaluation, as well as the performance of one or more Board of Education members, are appropriate topics for executive session. District goals, procedures, policies and data are NOT appropriate subjects for executive session under the FOI law. All votes must be taken in public – only discussion can occur in executive session.

**Note:** Based on court decisions in Connecticut, written evaluation documents are likely to be deemed public records subject to disclosure. Such written evaluation documents subject to public disclosure would include any draft evaluation that is circulated among Board of Education members.

#### **Recommended Evaluation Process**

The formal evaluation should in no way preclude informal discussions between the Superintendent and Board of Education as needed.

**Evaluation of the Superintendent** (continued)

# Beginning of New Evaluation Year Meeting – July/September

- **Step 1**: The Board conducts its self-evaluation and goal-setting.
- **Step 2**: The district Leadership Team (Board of Education and Superintendent) meets to discuss goals and objectives. Any discussion of district goals must be held in public. This structured conversation is intended to serve as a goal/priority setting session for the district's Leadership Team for the upcoming school year.
- **Step 3**: In Executive Session the Board of Education has an opportunity to candidly discuss with the Superintendent their performance goals for the year. Some of these will have been reflected in the most recent evaluation of the Superintendent's performance. This discussion should also include the process and format by which the Superintendent's performance will be evaluated.

# Mid Year Evaluation Meeting - December / January

- **Step 1:** The Board reviews its performance in light of previously established goals.
- **Step 2**: It is recommended that the Leadership Team meets again in Executive Session to informally discuss their progress on goals and objectives established in July/August. This session also provides the Leadership Team with an opportunity to identify and strategize about new and/or unexpected challenges. This level of team collaboration allows all parties to be contributing members of a fluid, responsive and strategic team.
- **Step 3:** During this same discussion, it is recommended that the Board of Education provide targeted informal feedback to the Superintendent about his/her effectiveness vis-à-vis the previously established goals and objectives. The purpose of this informal feedback session is to assess the Superintendent's midyear performance and provide him/her with an opportunity to properly respond to any Board of Education concerns and avoid unnecessary performance evaluation "surprises" at year's end.

# End of the Year Evaluation of the Superintendent - May / June

- Step 1: The Superintendent shares a verbal "Year in Review" self-assessment with the Board of Education in Executive Session. This self-assessment may be supplemented by submitting documentation as a formal narrative, portfolio or some other mutually agreed upon format that was established during the Beginning of the Year Meeting, with the understanding that any such written documentation would not be confidential. This document serves as evidentiary documentation regarding the Superintendent's job performance and should aid the Board of Education in completing a comprehensive and fair evaluation of the Superintendent.
- Step 2: The Board of Education conducts the evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools according to Board of Education Policy in Executive Session unless the Superintendent exercises his/her statutory right to require that such discussion be held in open session. It is recommended that there be no prior sharing of written performance evaluation commentary (hard copy or electronic) among Board of Education members prior to the Executive Session. The result of the Board of Education's Executive Session discussion regarding the Superintendent's performance should be either a written or verbal draft performance evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools.

# **Evaluation of the Superintendent** (continued)

Step 3: A meeting in Executive Session should be scheduled by the Board of Education between the Superintendent and the Board of Education, according to Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's contract. The purpose of this follow-up meeting is to share and discuss the Board of Education's draft evaluation with the Superintendent. This session serves as a final opportunity for candid discussion between the Board of Education and the Superintendent prior to the completion of the formal performance evaluation. The Connecticut Superintendent Leadership Competency Framework, developed by LEAD Connecticut, also should be examined as it is intended to focus specifically on effective superintendent leadership. It is included at the end of this document.

**Step 4:** The formal performance evaluation is completed and presented either verbally or in writing to the Superintendent of Schools by a representative(s) of the Board of Education according to Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's contract. It is important to note that if the Board of Education's performance evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools is in writing, it is a public document and subject to FOIA. Any written copy of the Superintendent's performance evaluation must also be placed in the Superintendent's official personnel file.

Regulation approved:

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#### **Recommended Evaluation Process and Timeline Flowchart**

# Beginning of New Evaluation Year Meeting July / September (Meeting to be conducted in executive session)

Step 1: Board Self-Evaluation and Goal Setting Step 2: Leadership Team Goal / Priority Setting.

Step 3: Superintendent's Professional Goals and Objectives.

# Mid-Year Evaluation Meeting December / January (Conducted in executive session)

Step 1: Board Reviews Its Performance

Step 2: Informal Leadership Team discussion regarding progress on goals and objectives.

Step 3: Targeted informal feedback provided to Superintendent regarding his/her performance.

# End of Year Evaluation of the Superintendent May / June

- Step 1: Superintendent presents "year in review" self-assessment to Board of Education regarding his/her performance.
- Step 2: Board of Education evaluates the Superintendent's job performance. A draft evaluation is developed during this meeting in districts where a written evaluation of the Superintendent is provided.
- Step 3: Meeting (in executive session) between Board of Education, as per Board of Education policy and the Superintendent, to share and discuss draft evaluation.
- Step 4: Formal evaluation is completed and presented to the Superintendent of School by a representative(s) of the Board of Education as per policy.

Note: Superintendent's Evaluation is a public document subject to FOIA.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 24, 2018



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 April 24, 2018.

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Walter Kruzel.
- 2. **INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Chris Rutledge
- 3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chris Rutledge
- **4. <u>FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT:</u>** Walter Kruzel announced the fire evacuation announcement.
- 5. ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rich Regnier, Ashley Depeau, Chris Rutledge, Charlotte Riley, Tina LeBlanc, Sarah Hernandez, Tim Neville, Scott Ryder and

Walter Kruzel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Christopher J. Drezek, Superintendent; Mr. Andrew B.

Longey, Assistant Superintendent; EHS Student Representatives,

Meghan Connery and Matt Campo

#### 6. BOARD GUEST(S)

# a. Career Pathways Presentation

Mr. Drezek welcomed John Dague, our STEAM Coordinator. Mr. Dague will discuss our college connections program and opportunities for our students.

Mr. Dague stated our students have the opportunity to earn up to 36 collect college credits. He reviewed the college credit opportunities, EMT certificate program, college career pathways, college connections and high school partnership programs available to our students.

Mr. Rutledge wished he could go back to high school again. These are great opportunities for our students to take advantage of. How many slots are available. Mr. Dague stated up to 30 students can attend these programs.

Mr. Rutledge asked how are you marketing this? Mr. Dague stated the classroom teachers, guidance counselors and career center offer information to students about these programs. We will discuss this at our Program of Studies Night. We are currently promoting these programs to incoming JFK students and Freshman students.

Mr. Rutledge asked what kind of internship programs are available to the students. Mr. Dague stated the first year the students will study the coursework. The internship is done during the second semester. Internships are limited due to the students age. They do offer some shadowing programs for the students.

Mrs. Riley stated this is a great opportunity for our students that might not pursue college. What percentage of students are taking advantage of these courses and lessen the financial obligations. Do you know what the percentage of students are taking advantage of this? Mr.

Dague stated around 1% of the student population around 12 -16 students for the college connections, 57 students are taking advantage of CCP, and the EMT course will be around 2%. The AP classes he does not have available, but he can get that.

Mr. Regnier stated we had a partnership program 20 years ago that he participated in. This is a great opportunity for students to see if this is something they would like to pursue or to see if it is a good fit. He participated in this during his junior year. Mr. Dague stated exposure is a big part of this. Students can see if this is a good fit for them.

Mr. Neville thanked Mr. Dague. He knew you would do a great job presenting this to the Board and public. We have increased the number of students participating in this program. This is a great opportunity for our students. Mr. Dague stated there are areas in manufacturing technology that are growing. Some of the students completing this program are being hired at \$60K. The employers are also offering incentives. EDAC just gave the students a presentation about this.

Mr. Neville stated the EMT and electromechanical programs will start next year. Mr. Dague stated these programs will grow next year. Industries are asking for the electromechanical program to maintain equipment.

Mr. Neville asked how Enfield compares to other districts. Mr. Dague stated other districts are also taking advantage of college connection programs being offered at other community colleges. Enfield is unique because ACC is located in Enfield and it makes a big difference.

Mr. Neville asked about the middle school connection. Mr. Dague stated we have a model at JFK for students to participate in grades 7 and 8. JFK has committed to the 5<sup>th</sup> year model. CAD and 3D printing is another area of growth.

Chairman Kruzel asked for a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

Mrs. Riley asked if they are keeping track going forward with the graduates that have participated and get employment similar to an exit survey. Mr. Dague can look into this. Sometimes there will be a delay with some of the students. He will look longitudinally to see how many students participate.

Chairman Kruzel thanked him for his presentation. He asked about the EHS Eagle logo. Mr. Dague stated we have the prototype for the Eagle. We are working on the fit and a design with the Historical Society. He can send you a photo of the Eagle.

Mr. Drezek stated it is not a coincidence that so many students are partaking in these classes with the arrival of Mr. Dague to Enfield. We could not have asked for a better ambassador than Mr. Dague.

#### b. District Goal Presentation

Mr. Drezek stated he made a reference in his budget presentation regarding the district's goals. This has been an ongoing process over the past 5 years that was started with Dr. Schumann. The administrators review our goals over the summer to see if we need to make changes or adjustments and set our new goals for the current year. We needed to look at our priorities needed for the many different stakeholders in the district. Our administrators are doing a lot of great work for the district. He felt it was important for the Board to hear what we are doing. What you are going to hear is not in their job descriptions. The administrators took the lead on this. We have 4 goal teams and you will see just a brief snapshot of what they are doing.

Goal Team #1 consists of Julie Carroll, Anthony Brooks, Connell Clark, John Coleman, Altressa Cox-Blackwell, Marilynn Cressotti, Laura Gagnon, Jason LaMesa, Jennifer Miller,

Katie Reeves, Irene Roman and Laurie Seigel.

Mrs. Carroll thanked the Board for the opportunity to share the work they are doing. Mrs. Carroll added the work they are doing is in line with the districts message - we are making a difference in every child's life, every day. She reviewed the Theory of Action - If we develop, implement and monitor interventions that address the most significant challenges that impact students, then all students will have the opportunity to be successful.

Mrs. Gagnon stated attendance has been a challenge. We are now using PowerSchool and we are learning how to utilize reports efficiently to understand the needs of students. We provided professional development opportunities to teachers, staff along with parent and student training sessions, PowerSchool Portal training at JFK and EHS, reviewed reports, attendance tracking and notification to track daily attendance and attendance teams will meet monthly. This will be a goal we will be continuing next year.

Mrs. Seigel started social emotional supports at the preschool level has been identified as an area of interest. We started a program called the Pre-K Early Learning Program at the STEAM preschool academy, Enfield Head Start and in the integrated special education preschool classes. Students are taught about empathy, emotion management, friendship and problem solving and how to transition to kindergarten. The teachers receive 6 weeks of daily lessons. They are taught whole body listening, recognizing feelings using puppets, songs, stories and games. Parents receive weekly home link newsletters and online components.

Mrs. Reeves stated she was here a few months ago discussing PBIS. The way they are addressing the social emotional and behavioral component at the elementary schools is through PBIS. The five elementary schools are working on Tier I interventions and expectations.

Mrs. Miller stated they started PBIS two years ago. We have Tier I in place and are making sure we have a strong foundation in place. This year we added conflict resolution that all students will receive. We are also moving into the other tiers and are building systems for entry and exit criteria matching and meeting the needs of the students. Our students in Tier II are showing great progress.

Mr. Clark stated we are also looking at academics and behavior at the secondary level. We discussed Wednesday Night School with the Board in September. He reviewed the Wednesday night school program. We are piloting this year at EHS an academic progress program and are looking at all students that were found to be academically ineligible. Our student intervention team is made up with over 30 teachers that will be assigned to a student to meet with them on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. This is a pilot program and we know some revisions are needed. During marking period 1 into 2, we saw 25 % of our students come off the ineligible list. From marking period 2 into 3 we saw 37% come off that list. We are making progress, but the work needs to continue. We hope to bring this model to the middle school next year.

Mrs. Cressotti stated Mr. Iacobucci spoke about Thursday night school at JFK in September. We have offered this program for the past 20 weeks. We have had 83 students that have participated – 51 students used this as an alternative to suspensions and 21 students used this for academics. We are using the same protocols as the high school. JRB has also started to use this as tool for students. Youth Services is part of the Juvenile Review Board and they like this option. We have received a few parent requests for students to participate in this program and some students have volunteered to participate. There are some road blocks where the students do not drive yet, and parents cannot get them. The Magic Carpet does not come to JFK. We do not always have the gym to use due to athletic commitments. We will continue this initiative with EHS for next year.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated that PowerSchool works great for parents to see if their children are

getting to school late. This is an effective tool for parents. Teachers are good about updating the information. She is glad to hear about the progress of the Wednesday night school. We all were looking for updates about this program. She understands the road blocks at JFK. Hopefully, the referendum will pass and that will help. She is impressed with PBIS and like the goals that were presented tonight. She thanked the administrators for what they are doing for our students.

Mr. Neville stated this excites him seeing our administrators using data and forming relationships with our students. You are giving the students alternatives. Keep up the extra work. We appreciate what you are going.

Mrs. Riley also thanked the administrators for what you are doing. Taking the initiative to do this extra work for our district is awesome. You are all doing a great job. Thank you.

Chairman Kruzel stated we are all here for the kids. He thanked them all their hard work. He would like to receive copies of the presentations from tonight.

Mr. Drezek stated we will make sure you will all receive these presentations.

<u>Goal Team #3</u> consists of Michelle Middleton, Jacklyn Valley and Lisa Hunter, Erin Clark. Mrs. Valley stated Goal Team 3 ensured the scope and sequence of the PK-12 curricula and related programming is both achievable and delivered to all students in the Enfield Public Schools. We created a Learning Looks Survey which is used by administrators during classroom visits to examine to what extent the instruction is aligned with our curriculum and best practices in promoting student engagement.

Mrs. Hunter stated part 1 of the Learning Looks Survey examines that degree the written curriculum is being delivered effectively across the district. We are proud of the work that has been done. Year 1 and 2 were focused on aligning the curriculum. We are now looking at student engagement closely.

Mrs. Clark stated quality instruction is one of the key components. Engaged students are successful. She reviewed the Metric 1: standards-aligned instruction and Metric 2: student engagement. We saw growth in these areas.

Mrs. Hunter stated instruction has trended towards becoming more student centered. This includes strong real-world connections. The teachers are promoting confidence and independence in the classroom and personalized learning is an area for continued growth. We will continue to collect data.

Mrs. Riley thanked the goal teams. Each goal team is getting input from all the students. You have tangible metrics that you are using.

Chairman Kruzel thanked them and asked them to keep up the good work.

Mr. Drezek added both he and Mr. Longey are grateful for what they are doing. What they are doing is tangible and directly relates to our students.

#### c. CABE Legislative Discussion

Mr. Drezek welcomed CABE Deputy Director Patrice McCarthy. She will discuss the Legislative Priorities.

Ms. McCarthy thanked the Board for the invitation. She commended them for being a part of what is going on in the schools and for your interest in what is going on legislatively. Your staff is doing a wonderful job.

Ms. McCarthy stated that everything is still influx at the State and House levels. You can go to the CABE website for updates. Some of the highlights will include an increase in ECS funding, magnet school tuition has increased, TEAM program will be reinstated, and there will be a decrease in charter school funding.

Mrs. McCarthy reviewed the advocacy highlights for HB 5533 An Analysis of the Revenue Streams of the State. She also reviewed SB 453 Classroom Safety and Disruptive Behavior, SB Shared Municipal Services and Local Governments, HB 5170 Students' Right to Privacy in their Mobile Electronic Devices, and HB 5462 Transition Services for Special Education Students. We are also looking into minority teacher recruitment and fingerprinting. She reviewed fingerprinting issue. Some of the issues will be addressed, modified or moved to the next 2019 legislative session. Some of these mandates have not been acted on. If you have any concerns, this is the time to contact your legislators.

Mr. Drezek asked about SB 364. They have never fully funded excess costs. How do you report the time for SPED services and who will fund this for the clerical staff to report this?

Mr. Drezek also asked about SB 490. He understands the purpose of looking at shared services. The Boards are larger than the Town. In Enfield, our town utilizes cooperative bidding and services. We are using approved State bids. Legislation is proposing to do this backwards. Ms. McCarthy stated she shares your frustration.

Chairman Kruzel agreed that Hartford is doing this backwards.

Mrs. Riley was glad she discussed fingerprinting. Will this bill set the price for the background checks and will this cover volunteers? Ms. McCarthy stated the statute does not cover volunteers. That is a local decision. If you have a policy that requires volunteers to be fingerprinted, that would be up to you. The fees are determined by the State Police. We are looking into fingerprinting for use by multiple towns for substitute teachers.

Mr. Drezek asked if the legislation includes who the results can be shared with. Kelly Services does this for us and they cannot receive the results. This is being done backwards. Ms. McCarthy stated we are looking into this and many other issues before May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Neville stated he knows you are one of the good guys and apologizes for his questions. Fingerprinting for our substitutes is also being done by the police department. They do not want to do this, and they don't have the manpower to take this on. It all comes down to money. He has a problem with mandates unless the money follows it.

Mr. Neville asked about SB 453. Do you still need an 093 certification to suspend a student? He thought only an administrator could do this. Now teachers can do this. Ms. McCarthy stated a teacher can remove a student from a classroom. An administrator will determine the consequences. She has heard that schools do not have the staffing resources to conduct these investigations.

Mr. Neville stated he has concerns that the student cannot go back to a classroom unless the teacher signs-off on it. There needs to be other factors to consider. We are missing some steps.

Mr. Neville has concerns with money going to the magnet schools. We do not find out that we are losing students until after school has started. We are working on our budget in May and June. We need to account for these students. Is there any legislation for this? Ms. McCarthy stated there isn't any legislation for this. She hears about this a lot from local levels.

Mr. Neville asked about electronic devices. How will this be dealt with along with due process.

Ms. McCarthy stated we are still working on this language. We are working on the students right to privacy. Mr. Neville thanked her fighting for them.

Mrs. Depeau addressed SB 453. She has listed to students and families talking about teachers not taking them seriously or treating them fairly. The decision for them to return to class is going to be made by one person. She has some serious concerns with this.

Mrs. Depeau asked about HB 5452. Bus drivers will not be able to administer medication on a bus. If this is needed, who will administer life threatening medication in an emergency. Ms. McCarthy stated this would be allowed by local authority or local policy. They would be required to be trained by a medical person on how to administer medication.

Chairman Kruzel thanked Ms. McCarthy for coming. You are doing a great job for us and urged her to keep up the good work. Please feel free to pass along any relevant information to us through our superintendent.

Mr. Neville stated we had discussed signing off on the Legislative priorities.

Mr. Drezek stated he had shared CABE's Legislative priorities which prompted tonight's discussion with Ms. McCarthy. Is this something the Board is still interested in? We can send something to Mr. Rader on the Board's behalf.

Board members were all in agreement to send a letter with their support for the legislative priorities.

#### 7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Student Representatives as presented
- b. CABE Student Leadership Award Recipients as presented
- c. Kindergarten Registration as presented
- d. TC FY2018-19 Budget Community Conversation, Special BOE Meeting, FY2018-19 budget Public Hearing & Budget Workshop as presented
- e. April/May Events as presented

Mr. Drezek added BUZZ Robotics was in Houston for a national competition. They lost the final competition but medaled. They have done a fantastic job and congratulated the Bus Robotics Team. We will have them attend an upcoming meeting. Congratulations to BUZZ.

Chairman Kruzel stated the last day of school is June 25<sup>th</sup> and graduation will be held on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Seniors are required to attend school on the last day of school.

Mr. Drezek stated we will offer programs for the seniors. State law requires that all students attend school 180 days. The administration will be sending home information to the students about this.

#### 8. AUDIENCES

Chairman Kruzel reminded audience members to refrain from any personalities. You will be allowed 3 minutes to address the Board.

<u>Colleen Ceniglio, Shannon Drive</u> – Mrs. Ceniglio has 3 daughters. One graduated and is attending Westfield State, one is a senior and the other is a sophomore. She is here tonight about the new Science requirements for graduation and how they are being implemented. She distributed a document with the science courses. She is concerned with the honors track students are required to remain in. There are no options for students to change tracks if they are struggling. She is concerned for not only her children but other children. Her children

have received an amazing education attending Enfield public schools. She knows she can override her daughter's courses. Thank you.

#### 9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Riley welcomed back everyone from the April vacation. She congratulated Ashley Depeau and her family for the birth of their daughter. She congratulated Chairman Kruzel and his family about his daughter graduating from college next week. She thanked the Enfield Street students for the cards they sent her. She is saving all these items. She also thanked everyone for the Board appreciation gifts we received.

Mrs. Riley stated the Henry Barnard PTO has some open positions for any interested parents. She congratulated all the students and staff for their box top submissions. Keep up the good work collecting the box tops.

Mrs. Riley attended the last Policy Committee Meeting. It was great to see the open exchange from Policy members and the public that participated. It was a productive collaboration that is what she always envisioned seeing.

Mrs. Riley attended the special KITE meeting. She met a lot of people there and we shared ideas. This was another example of community collaboration making Enfield a great place to live.

Mrs. Riley attended the facility tours that was held with the Joint Facilities Committee. She learned a lot about our town on this tour and what we provide. It was eye opening. We have some great talented staff in Enfield. They are all so committed to Enfield. She thanked them all.

Mrs. Riley stated we had a Joint Securing Presentation meeting. The information provided was very informative. The new police chief did a great job. She wished that more people attended this. You can watch this on YouTube and she encourages you to do so if you are interested.

Mrs. Riley stated Board Leadership met with the Enfield High students on the walkout day last Friday for a panel discussion. The students were so respectful. They debated effectively and respectfully. The organizers did a great job planning this event. This was all planned by the students. They have set a great example for their peers to follow. She looks forward to seeing what you all accomplish with your lives.

Mr. Ryder stated Eli Whitney held a grade 4 volleyball game to support a classmate with cancer. It was a great event. He wished the student well wishes. Grade 3 and grade 5 students are also holding events to help the student's family by raising donations. We have received great community support.

Mr. Ryder stated Eli Whitney will hold their book fair and a family Bingo night for the incoming grade 3 students. This is a great opportunity for the incoming students to see their next school. The PTO's work together with their sister-schools.

Mr. Ryder stated the Budget Community Conversation will be held on Wednesday at 7:00 PM at Henry Barnard and next week at the High School.

Mr. Ryder stated the One Book, One School event will start next week at all of the elementary schools. If you plan on reading, you need to RSVP. He is looking forward to this school event and reading at Eli Whitney.

Mr. Neville thanked the administration for the student representative name tags. It is helpful to have them recognized.

Mr. Neville thanked Mr. Dague for his dedication to our students and school system. We are doing a lot of great things in our schools. He likes to showcase what we are doing. He was also touched by the gifts we received during Board appreciation week. This board works well together and has a common goal.

Mr. Neville thanked the goal teams for their presentations tonight. He knows what our administrators do on a regular basis. He is so impressed with what our administrators are doing and their dedication to our students. Thank you for your commitment.

Mr. Neville attended the facility tours. It was impressive. We are looking at what we need to do with our facilities. He invites you to attend any of our meetings.

Mr. Neville agreed with Mrs. Riley regarding the student panel discussions. They were very respectful. He is very proud of our students.

Mr. Neville has some questions about what that Mrs. Ceniglio discussed tonight. He will discuss this with the Curriculum committee.

Mr. Neville saw Sarah Hernandez on television tonight discussing Autism Awareness. He congratulated her and is proud of her.

Mrs. Hernandez stated this is Autism Acceptance month. She is on the spectrum and it is not discussed by the Board. She is accepted and treated with such respect. She went to High Roads School in Wallingford today. The students that are there have different abilities. It was great talking with the students. What happened after meant a lot to her. The students did not realize the opportunities that are available to them. It is a reminder to be visible. Representation matters. She thanked the public for electing her. She thanked the Board for respecting her. Together we are all making a difference. Thank you.

Mrs. LeBlanc congratulated Ashley. Her daughter is beautiful.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated JFK will hold a Purse Bingo on Friday at Mount Carmel at 6:00 PM. You can go to the JFK PTO website to get tickets.

Mrs. LeBlanc congratulated the JFK Band who performed in Boston over the past weekend. It was very exciting to see the students perform. They did a wonderful job.

Mrs. LeBlanc also has some concerns with the science track mentioned by Mrs. Ceniglio. She knows the honors science track is very tough. She understands her frustration.

Mr. Regnier thanked Mrs. Zalucki for everything you do for us. He also thanked all the other hard working administrative staff at our schools. He thanked Mr. Dague for his presentation. He has already sent us the power point presentations. He is amazing.

Mr. Regnier stated the Hazardville Memorial PTO held a meeting and an earth day presentation for the students. We also purchased 2 gym carts filled with all kinds of athletic items for the school to use. The current playground needs some updating. The Town is working on the playscape. The carts will be used by all students and they appreciate it.

Mr. Regnier stated Eli Whitney Bingo for incoming grade 2 students is a wonderful way for the students to see their new school for next year and to ease transition concerns.

Mrs. Depeau thanked everyone for the well wishes for her family. She also thanked all the administrative professionals for what they do. You keep EPS moving, thank you.

Mrs. Depeau stated the Enfield Street PTO held a concert for the students with Red Grammer. He is a children's musical artist. The PTO funded this event for the students. This was a great event for the students. She thanked the parents for their support.

Mrs. Depeau thanked Mrs. Ceniglio for discussing her concerns tonight. This is something she is sure we will look into.

Mrs. Depeau thanked Mr. Dague for his presentation. She thanked the goal teams for their presentation and for Patrice McCarthy for attending tonight's meeting. We are making great progress and are doing a lot of good things. Thank you for your efforts.

Chairman Kruzel stated we all received a letter and it was not signed. If you want to write to us, please sign your name so we can communicate with you.

#### 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# a. Policy Revisions - Approve the 1000 Series - Second Reading (tabled on 03-27-18)

Mr. Regnier stated the Board tabled the second readings for the 1000 Series at the last meeting. This needs to be placed back on the table to continue our discussion.

Mrs. Riley moved, seconded by Mr. Neville that the Enfield Board of Education places the 1000 Series back on the table for a second and final reading.

A vote by **show-of-hands 9-0-0** passed unanimously.

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mrs. Riley that the Enfield Board of Education approves the 1000 series as a second and final reading.

#### Discussion:

Mr. Regnier stated that Mrs. Grant attended the Policy Committee meeting and shared her thoughts and concerns with us. We wanted to make sure that our policies are not being dictated by any political parties. The entire Board will be involved with the policies. This is something the entire Board feels strongly about.

A vote by **roll-call 9-0-0** passed unanimously.

Chairman Kruzel stated the process for our policies works. We had a first reading and then heard from the public. The procedure works.

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS

# a. Approve FY2018-19 School Readiness Grant

Social Services Director Mrs. Homer-Bouthiette, Social Services Deputy Director Damien Humphries and KITE Chair LeAnn Beaulieu gave the Board an overview of the 2018-19 School Readiness Grant.

Mr. Rutledge moved, seconded by Mrs. Riley that the Enfield Board of Education approves the FY2018-19 School Readiness Grant.

A vote by roll-call 9-0-0 passed unanimously.

# b. Approve FY2018-19 Adult Education Continuation PEP Program Enhancement Grant

Mr. Drezek gave an overview of the 2018-19 Adult Education Continuation PEP Program Enhancement Grant.

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mr. Rutledge that the Enfield Board of Education approves the FY2018-19 Adult Education Continuation PEP Program Enhancement Grant.

#### Discussion:

Mr. Neville stated this has come before the Board for many years. He would like the PEP group to come before us again. They are another group of unsung heroes. He supports them totally.

A vote by roll-call 9-0-0 passed unanimously.

#### 12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### a. Curriculum Committee

Mr. Neville reported the Curriculum Committee will meet on May 1st.

#### b. Finance, Budget Committee

Mrs. Riley reported the Finance, Budget Committee met on April 16, 2018. Our next meeting will be on May 14<sup>th</sup>. We will have a guest to discuss the TAG program. This is open to the public and Board members are welcome to attend.

Mr. Neville would like to have a joint Curriculum and Finance meeting regarding TAG.

Mrs. Riley would like to do this also. Chairman Kruzel asked how would we do this? Mr. Drezek stated it is posted on the agenda that a quorum of the Board may be in attendance. You could hold a Finance meeting and invite the members of the Curriculum meeting to attend.

Chairman Kruzel would like to post the May 14<sup>th</sup> Finance meeting for all Board members. Mr. Drezek will make sure the appropriate staff are available for this meeting.

Mr. Rutledge would like to change the location for the Finance meeting to a larger room. Chairman Kruzel stated we could move this to another room to accommodate a larger crowd.

#### c. Policy Committee

Mr. Regnier reported the Policy Committee will meet on May 15, 2018.

#### d. Leadership Committee

Chairman Kruzel reported the Leadership committee does not have any meeting scheduled at this time.

#### e. Joint Facilities Committee

Chairman Kruzel reported the Joint Facilities Committee has a tight timeline. They meet every Thursday. This week we will meet in the JFK Library at 6:00 PM. We have hired an architect and are getting ready with the referendum process. We are continuing with the Henry Barnard roof application and are looking at all our buildings.

Chairman Kruzel stated the tours of the facilities was conducted by the Town manager. Mr. Chodkowski has only been here two years and he did a great job knowing about Enfield. He will be missed by many when he leaves at the end of May.

Mr. Neville agreed about the facility tours. The Town manager has a vision and he has posted this on the Town website. It is very creative. This Thursday's meeting will be a workshop and will probably last around 2 hours. We are very impressed with the creativity of this group. This is going to move quickly.

Chairman Kruzel will miss this meeting. He will be at his daughter's graduation.

#### f. EHS Building Committee

Chairman Kruzel reported the EHS Building Committee met and reviewed some bills. We are winding down with this committee. There may be 2 more meetings that will be held.

g. Any Other Committees - None

#### 13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rutledge moved, seconded by Mrs. LeBlanc that the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2018 be approved. A vote by **show-of-hands 9-0-0** passed unanimously.

#### 14. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYROLL

Mrs. Riley moved seconded by Mr. Rutledge that the Enfield Board of Education accepts the superintendent's certification for:

- The month of February 2018, total expenditures amount to \$4,642,644.17, broken down between payroll totaling \$3,926,861.41 and other accounts totaling \$715,782.76. All payments have been made in accordance with the approved budget and are properly accounted for within the books of accounts. Copies of approval for check invoices are properly documented.

A vote by **show-of-hands 8-0-0** passed unanimously (Mr. Neville was not present for the vote).

Mrs. Riley moved seconded by Mr. Rutledge that the Enfield Board of Education accepts the superintendent's certification for:

The month of March 2018, total expenditures amount to \$8,553,602.85, broken down between payroll totaling \$5,912,383.89 and other accounts totaling \$2,641,218.96. All payments have been made in accordance with the approved budget and are properly accounted for within the books of accounts. Copies of approval for check invoices are properly documented.

A vote by **show-of-hands 8-0-0** passed unanimously (Mr. Neville was not present for the vote).

#### Line Item Transfers - None

- 15. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS None
- 16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** None

#### 17. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Riley moved, seconded by Mr. Regnier to adjourn the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2018.

All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Tina LeBlanc Secretary Board of Education Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary

# BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES MAY 2, 2018

A special meeting of the Enfield Board of Education was held at Enfield High School in the Principal's Conference Room located at 1264 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT on May 2, 2017.

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM by Vice Chairman Riley.
- **2. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Charlotte Riley announced the fire evacuation announcement.
- 3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Charlotte Riley
- 4. ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ashley Depeau, Sarah Hernandez, Tina LeBlanc, Tim Neville, Rich

Regnier, Scott Ryder and Walter Kruzel (participated remotely)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Rutledge

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Christopher Drezek, Superintendent; Mrs. Julie Carroll,

Special Education Director and Board Attorney Chris Chinni

Mr. Kruzel participated remotely per BOE Policy #9325.43 Participation at Board Meetings by Remote Methods

#### 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mrs. Riley to enter into Executive Session for Matter(s) Related to Attorney Client Privilege.

A vote by **show-of-hands 8-0-0** passed unanimously.

Mr. Drezek, Mrs. Carroll and Attorney Chinni joined the Board in Executive Session. No Board action occurred while in Executive Session.

#### 6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mrs. Depeau to adjourn the Special Meeting of May 2, 2018.

All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Tina LeBlanc Secretary Board of Education Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Drezek, Deputy Superintendent