

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #19
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011
EDWIN O. SMITH HIGH SCHOOL
1235 STORRS ROAD
STORRS, CONNECTICUT 06268

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by chairman Fran Archambault

PRESENT: Fran Archambault, Herb Arico, Janice Chamberlain, Frank Krasicki, Bob Kremer, Jim Mark, John Meyers, Elizabeth McCosh-Lilie, Tim Nolan, Elizabeth Peczuh, Mike Sibiga, Bruce Silva (superintendent), David Cho (student representative)

ABSENT: Bob Jellen

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK: No Requests

REPORTS:

The personnel committee will be entering into negotiations with the teachers' association. An executive session is on the agenda to discuss personnel issue.

The finance committee met prior to this meeting. The fee schedule for use of facilities was reviewed.

The curriculum committee has a tentative date of October 18th at 5:00 p.m. for their next meeting.

Herb Arico updated board members on the activities of the EASTCONN Board of Directors. Their next meeting is scheduled for October 25th.

Mike Sibiga informed board members the state review of the vocational agriculture department is scheduled for December 19th.

Student representative, David Cho, was welcomed by board members. He updated board members on the activities of the student congress.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Silva updated board members on the progress of the athletic fields renovation project. Unfortunately, the inclement weather has slowed down the project a bit. It is hoped that the weekend of October 7th the surfacing of the track will be completed. Bleachers should be arriving around the 14th of October and the tennis courts are near completion.

Mr. Silva introduced Mr. Steven Bayne, Special Services Director, to the board. Board members welcomed him to the district.

Mr. Silva also noted that the school improvement plan will be presented to the board at the November board meeting.

The technology survey for E.O. Smith is currently being updated before sending out to staff members for their input.

SPECIAL REPORT:

Teacher of the Year, Susan Palmberg, was introduced to board members and congratulated for being selected for this honor.

John Blomstrann was recognized for being voted National Soccer Coach of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.

Principal DeLoreto gave an in-depth CAPT and SAT report to board members.

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION: by Mike Sibiga, seconded by Tim Nolan, that the following items be approved or received for the record:

That the Regional School District #19 Board of Education approve the minutes of September 6, 2011.

That the Regional School District #19 Board of Education approve overnight trip to Philadelphia, PA, November 17-20, 2011, submitted by Sue Biren.

End of Consent Agenda

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

MOTION: by Elizabeth McCosh-Lilie, seconded by Mike Sibiga, that the Regional School District #19 Board of Education recognize the outstanding accomplishment of coach John Blomstrann for being named National Coach of the Year 2011 by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

MOTION: by Janice Chamberlain, seconded by Herb Arico, that the Regional School District #19 Board of Education approve the revised fees as outlined in the "Community Use of School Facilities" Policy.

Discussion: It was noted that the superintendent will be making some adjustments to the fee schedule as recommend by the finance committee.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

NEW BUSINESS: None

Opportunity for the Public to Speak: None

MOTION: by Mike Sibiga, seconded by Jim Mark, to move into executive session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss personnel issue, with Superintendent Silva in attendance.

VOTE: Unanimous in Favor

Moved out of executive session at 9:15 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Breault, Board Clerk