

**CREC COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
10/21/15**

COUNCIL

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GUESTS

Robert C. Lindberg – Arthur J. Gallagher & Co
Rebecca Santiago – Atty., Shipman & Goodwin

The following towns were not represented at the meeting: Berlin, Cromwell, East Granby, East Hartford, East Windsor, Farmington, Granby, Hartland, Manchester, New Britain, New Hartford, Plainville, Portland, Region 10, Rocky Hill, Somers, South Windsor, Southington, Vernon and Windsor Locks.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Council Chair Donald Harris called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Leslee Hill, seconded by Ronald Eleveld, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the 9/16/15 Council meeting.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. *Special Recognitions – Council Chair Donald Harris recognized the following members who will no longer serve on the CREC Council after November (Terry Schmitt, Leslee Hill, and Mary Grace Reed). Don also recognized Jill Notar-Francesco who has already left the Council.*

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. *General Item*

MOTION: A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Elaine Paradise and passed unanimously to approve general item one under the consent agenda.

1. Construction Grant Application – GHAA

B. 2015-2016 Revised Program

MOTION: A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Elaine Paradise and passed unanimously to approve general item one under the revised program consent agenda.

1. Supplemental Services

C. 2015-2016 New Program

MOTION: A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Elaine Paradise and passed unanimously to approve general item one under the new program consent agenda.

1. Exploring Ecosystems through the Arts

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Review of Blue Folder - Executive Director Bruce E. Douglas, Ph.D. welcomed the Council and thanked them for their participation. Dr. Douglas began the report by reviewing the blue folder.

B. Regional Calendar – Assistant Executive Director Tim Nee provided the Council with a draft of the 2016-2017 Uniform Regional Calendar for the CREC region. The draft will be presented to the Hartford Area Superintendents' Association in November before it is finalized.

V. DELIBERATED ACTION

A. New Business

1. Policies – First Reading. No recommended action. Voting will take place at the November Council meeting.
 - a. Revised Policy 5131 – Conduct
 - b. Revised Policy 5131.8 – Out-of-School Misconduct

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Approval of the Paraprofessional and Child Care Worker Collective Bargaining Agreement

MOTION: A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Jeremy Grieveson, and passed unanimously to go into executive session at 12:30 p.m. All guests and CREC staff with the exception of Bruce Douglas, Regina Terrell (director of HR) and Rebecca Santiago (legal counsel from Shipman & Goodwin) left the room. At 12:44 p.m. executive session ended and all staff and guests returned to the room. A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, and passed unanimously to approve the tentative collective bargaining agreement with the Local 1303 of Council 4 American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), the Paraprofessional Union.

B. Old Business – None at this time

VII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Bruce Douglas provided an update to the Council.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Financial Report – presented and accepted

IX. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Stop Loss Captive Insurance Presentation – Presented by Mary Glassman, program manager from the CREC Office of Regional Efficiencies.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A. MOTION – A motion was made by Ronald Eleveld, seconded by Kristen Picard-Wambolt and passed unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 1:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tyra Smith