

**CREC COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
1/20/16**

COUNCIL

Donald Harris, Chair, Bloomfield
Kristen Picard-Wambolt, Vice Chair, Ellington
Jeremy Grieveson, Interim Sec/Treasurer, Glastonbury
Christopher Wilson, Bristol
Joseph Scheideler, Canton
Lori Unghire, Enfield
Melissa Migliaccio, Granby
Michael Brescia, Hartford
Sharon Braverman, Newington
John Vecchitto, Region #10
Dilip Desai, Rocky Hill
Joan Formeister, Somers
Jamie Gamble, South Windsor (Alt.)
David Joy, South Windsor
Terry Lombardi, Southington
Natalie Semyanko, Suffield (Alt.)
Jeanne Gee, Suffield
Linda Gessay, Vernon
Cheryl Greenberg, West Hartford
Bobbie Granato, Wethersfield
Nuchette Black-Burke, Windsor
Patricia King, Windsor Locks

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Greg Florio
Tim Nee
Sandy Cruz-Serrano
Regina Terrell
Dina Crowl
Deborah Richards
Mason Thrall
Aura Alvarado
Sarah Vocca
Jeff Ivory
Tyra Smith
Julia Winer
Margaret MacDonald
Tiana Whitehead
Mary Glassman
Christine Ruman
Cara Hart
Deb Borrero
David Daye
Thomas Reed-Swale

GUESTS

Brendan Sharkey (State Representative)
Patrice McCarthy – (CABE)
Pete Smith (Rome Smith & Lutz)
Robert Lindberg (Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.)
Vanessa de la Torre (Hartford Courant)

The following towns were not represented at the meeting: Avon, Berlin, Bolton, Cromwell, East Granby, East Hartford, East Windsor, Farmington, Hartland, Manchester, New Britain, New Hartford, Plainville, Portland, and Simsbury.

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 Jeremy Grieveson, seconded by Kristen Picard-Walcott, and passed to approve the minutes of the 11/18/15 Council meeting. The following members abstained: David Joy, Terry Lombardi, Joseph Scheideler, Patricia King, Dilip Desai, and Natalie Semyanko.

Council Chair Donald Harris welcomed Greg J. Florio, Ed.D. to CREC as the new Executive Director.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Thomas Reed-Swale, Assistant Principal of Discovery Academy was presented with a Special Recognition from the Town of Wethersfield for the CREC Discovery Academy.

III. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Regional Collaboration Initiative – Representative Brendan Sharkey

B. CREC Foundation

MOTION: A motion was made by Christopher Wilson, seconded by Bobbie Granato to add CREC Foundation to the agenda for discussion. Aura Alvarado, Director of Communications and Community Relations discussed the CREC Foundation and requested Council members to consider serving on the board.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. *General Items*

1. Stop Loss Captive Insurance (Attachment A)

MOTION: A motion was made by Jeremy Grieveson, seconded by Kristen Picard-Wambolt to approve general item one under the consent agenda. Terri Lombardi requested the item be pulled for further discussion.

MOTION: A motion was made by Jeremy Grieveson, seconded by Kristen Picard-Wambolt and passed unanimously to approve general item one under the consent agenda.

1. Stop Loss Captive Insurance (Attachment A)

B. *2015-2016 Revised Programs*

MOTION: A motion was made by Jeremy Grieveson, seconded by Kristen Picard-Wambolt and passed unanimously to approve general items one and two under the 2015-2016 revised programs consent agenda.

1. Supplemental Services (Attachment B)

2. North Central Facilitation Project/HAEYC

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Review of Blue Folder - Executive Director Greg J. Florio, Ed.D. welcomed the Council and thanked them for their participation. Dr. Florio began the report by reviewing the blue folder.

VI. COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Council Chair Donald Harris notified the Council that he will have a report with updates and information during each Council meeting. Chairman Harris invited the Speaker, State Representative Brendan Sharkey to attend the Legislative Breakfast which will take place on February 18, 2016 at the State Capitol.

VII. DELIBERATED ACTION

A. New Business

1. Policies – Second reading

MOTION: A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, seconded by John Vecchitto and passed unanimously to approve and adopt the following policies presented as a second reading:

- a. Revised Policy 6142 – Basic Instructional Program
- b. Revised Policy 6146 – Graduation Requirements
- c. Revised Policy 1212 – School Volunteers
- d. Revised Policy 4131 – Staff Development

2. Vote to approve February Council Meeting Date Change

MOTION: A motion was made by Christopher Wilson, seconded by Nuchette Black-Burke and passed unanimously to approve the change of the February 17, 2016 Council Meeting to February 18, 2016. The meeting will be held at 9:30am at the State Capitol immediately following the CREC/HASA Legislative Breakfast.

B. Old Business – None at this time

VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Patrice McCarthy of CAFE and Pete Smith of Rome, Smith & Lutz provided a legislative update to the Council.

IX . REPORTS

- A. Financial Report – presented and accepted
- B. CAFR – presented and accepted

X. ADJOURNMENT

- A. MOTION – A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, seconded by Jeremy Grieveson and passed unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tiana Whitehead