

**CREC COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
4/20/16**

COUNCIL

Donald Harris, Chair, Bloomfield
Kristen Picard-Wambolt, Vice Chair, Ellington
Jeremy Grieveson, Interim Sec/Treasurer, Glastonbury
Jackie Blea, Avon
Robin Evans, Berlin
Christopher Wilson, Bristol
Joseph Scheideler, Canton
Melissa Migliaccio, Granby
Michael Brescia, Hartford
Sharon Braverman, Newington
Becky Tyrell, Plainville
John Vecchitto, Region #10
Dilip Desai, Rocky Hill
Lydia Tedone, Simsbury
David Joy, South Windsor
Terry Lombardi, Southington
Cheryl Greenberg, West Hartford
Bobbie Granato, Wethersfield
Nuchette Black-Burke, Windsor

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Greg Florio
Sandy Cruz-Serrano
Tim Nee
Dina Crowl
Regina Terrell
Julia Winer
Aura Alvarado
Sarah Vocca
Jeff Ivory
Deborah Richards
Mason Thrall
Tiana Whitehead
Mary Glassman
Margaret MacDonald

GUEST

Patrice McCarthy – (CABE)
Khahari Mangual (PSA Student) & Mother
Jeff Larson, PSA Principal
Alvin Schwapp, PSA, Director
Daryl Roberts, PSA, Director

The following towns were not represented at the meeting: Cromwell, East Granby, East Hartford, East Windsor, Enfield, Farmington, Hartland, Manchester, New Britain, New Hartford, Portland, Somers, Suffield, and Vernon.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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

- B. MOTION: A motion was made by Lydia Tedone, seconded by John Vecchitto, and passed to approve the minutes of the 3/16/16 Council meeting. The following members abstained: David Joy and Becky Tyrell.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Special Recognition – Aura Alvarado introduced and congratulated CREC Public Safety Student, Khahari Mangual for being awarded the 2016 Youth of the Year by the Boys and Girls Club of Hartford. Khahari gave a speech to the Council Members.

III. COMMITTEE UPDATES

Lydia Tedone, Chair of the Nominating Committee gave an overall update as to the outcome of the Nominating Committee meeting that took place on Monday, April 4, 2016. It was recommended that the CREC Council Constitution Article V be suspended for one year to allow time to review and make any revisions deemed necessary, to keep the current officers in their roles for 2016-2017 – Council Chair Donald Harris and Council Vice-Chair Kristen Picard-Wambolt, nominating David Joy to serve as Secretary/Treasurer for 2016-2017, and adding Region #10, Simsbury, and Southington to the current Board that consists of 10 member districts. This would increase the total members on the Board of Directors to 13. A vote on the above will take place during the Annual Meeting on May 18, 2016.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. General Items

1. Appointment of Auditor for Fiscal Years Ended 2016-2018

B. 2015 – 2016 Revised Programs

1. Audit Required Budget Authorizations
2. Special Services Support Team
3. CT Technical HS Systems Related Services
4. REACT
5. CT Technical HS Events Mgmt.
6. Online Student Learning Services

C. 2015 - 2016 New Program

1. Technology Bond Fund and High-Quality Schools Grant

D. 2016 – 2017 Continuing Programs

1. Audit Required Budget Authorizations
2. Farmington Valley Diagnostic Center
3. Juvenile Detention Center
4. Made in the Shade
5. Special Services Support Team
6. CT Technical HS Systems Related Services
7. REACT

8. CT Technical HS Events Mgmt.
9. Department of Corrections PD
10. CREC Office of Regional Efficiencies (CORE)
11. Online Student Learning Services
12. CREC Products
13. Interdistrict Grants
14. Supplemental Services

MOTION: A motion was made by Jeremy Grieveson, seconded by Christopher Wilson to approve entire consent agenda and passed unanimously.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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. Dr. Florio discussed his and other Council Members attendance at the NSBA Conference that was held in Boston, MA from April 8-11th. Dr. Florio expressed sympathy in becoming aware of the death of Keith Hook, who was one of the founders of the Capitol Region Education Council in 1967, and was its president from 1969-70.

VI. COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT

- A. Council Chair Donald Harris introduced new Council Member, Robin Evans from Berlin. Council Chair Harris also discussed the NSBA Conference in which he attended in Boston, MA as well as advising next year it will be held in Denver, CO. Additionally, Council Chair Harris informed the Council Members that fellow member, Lydia Tedone (Simsbury), just announced that she will be running for State Representative in her district.

VII. DELIBERATED ACTION

A. New Business

1. Policies – First Reading. No recommended action. Voting will take place at the June Council Meeting.

First Reading

- a. Revised Policy – 1312 – Public Complaints
- b. New Policy – 4118.221/4218.221 – Whistleblower Reporting & Protection
- c. Revised Policy – 4147.1/4247.1 – Occupational Exposure to Blood-borne Pathogens
- d. Revised Policy – 5141.221 – Pediculosis
- e. New Policy – 5141.28 – Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention
- f. Revised Policy – 5141.3 – Certification of Physical Assessments
- g. Revised Policy – 5141.31 – Health Examinations for School Athletic Participation
- h. Revised Policy – 6141.31 – Bilingual-Bicultural Education

Second Reading

MOTION: A motion was made by Lydia Tedone, seconded by Jeremy Grieveson and passed unanimously to approve and adopt the following policies presented as a second reading:

- a. Revised Policy – 5141.4 – Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect
- b. Revised Policy - 5141.22 – Providing Education to Students with Chronic Communicable Diseases
- c. Revised Policy – 5144.11 – Physical Restraint and Seclusion

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Non-Renewal of Certified Staff

MOTION: A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, seconded by Michael Brescia, and passed unanimously to go into executive session at 12:35 p.m. All guests and CREC staff with the exception of Greg Florio (Executive Director) and Regina Terrell (Director of Human Resources) left the room. A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, seconded by Lydia Tedone to move out of Executive Session at 12:46 p.m. A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt, seconded by Nuchette Black-Burke and passed unanimously to approve the Non-Renewal of Certified Staff.

- B. Old Business – None at this time

VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Patrice McCarthy of CABA provided a legislative update to the Council.

IX. REPORTS

- A. Financial Report – presented and accepted

X. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Members discussed current events relating to their districts. Nuchette Black-Burke (Windsor) gave an update regarding the Windsor High School students becoming finalists in a contest to make meatballs for Astronauts. David Joy (South Windsor) expressed his appreciation to the Finance & Audit Committee and CREC staff for being thorough in reviewing the information that was presented during the Finance & Audit Committee Meeting which was held the Wednesday prior, while also encouraging members who would like a greater understanding to attend these meetings as well. Jeremy Grieveson (Glastonbury) thanked Dr. Florio for the Council Updates that he sends to Council that keeps Council Members updated and informed of all that is going on.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. MOTION – A motion was made by Becky Tyrell, seconded by Jeremy Grieveson and passed unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 1:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tiana Whitehead