

TO: CREC Council and Superintendents
FROM: Greg J. Florio, Ed.D.
DATE: November 15, 2017

Minutes

Council Board Meeting
November 15, 2017
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CREC Central**Rooms 101 & 102**

111 Charter Oak Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

COUNCIL

Kristen Picard-Wambolt, Ellington
Christopher Wilson, Bristol
David Joy, South Windsor
Joseph Scheideler, Canton
Jeremy Grieveson, Glastonbury
Jackie Blea, Avon
Donald Harris, Bloomfield
Timothy Lavoy, Portland
Lydia Tedone, Simsbury
Celine Kelleher, Cromwell
Linda Gessay, Vernon
Carol Anderson-Blanks, West Hartford
Bobbie Granato, Wethersfield

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Greg Florio
Sandy Cruz-Serrano
Deborah Richards
Jeff Ivory
Aura Alvarado
Sarah Vocca
Mason Thrall
Julia Winer
Regina Terrell
Tim Sullivan

GUEST

Charles Rothenberger – Rome, Smith &
Lutz
Patricia McCarthy - CABE

I. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. 10/18/17 Council Meeting

MOTION: Motion to approve the October 18, 2017 minutes made by Jeremy Grieveson and seconded by Don Harris and passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**III. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. 2017-2018 Continuing Programs
1. Entitlement Grants (Attachment A)

MOTION: A motion was made by Chris Wilson seconded by Don Harris, and passed unanimously to approve all item 1 under Consent Agenda Section A.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Florio spoke about the budget and CREC trying to decipher why programs are all lump into larger items. He will continue to share information as it is received. Spoke about Pre-K and how tuition will now be required for this program starting 2017-2018 school year. There will be income guidelines. Those families of four making less than \$82,000 annually will pay nothing, those families of four making more than that will pay \$3000 for annual pre-school tuition

IV. COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT

Kristen congratulated all re-elected members, spoke about the CABA conference and advised that the next Council meeting would be held in January due to upcoming holidays in December.

V. DELIBERATED ACTION

A. New Business

1. Policies (Attachment B)

Second Reading – Vote and adopt submitted policies

- a. Revised Policy – 5141.3 – Health Assessments and Immunizations
- b. Revised Policy – 4131 – Staff Development
- c. Revised Policy – 5144.11 – Physical Restraint and Seclusion

MOTION: A motion was made by Lydia Tedone, seconded by Don Harris and passed to approve and adopt the following policies.

B. Old Business - None

VII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A. Patrice McCarthy – CABA- gave update on state budget and stated that teachers' pension would be revisited on 2018 and 2019 due to projected deficit,

B. Charles Rothenberger – Rome, Smith & Lutz – spoke on the approval of the amendments made to the state budget and gave some details of the amendments. Stated MBR was extended for another 2 years.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Financial Report (Attachment C) - **Presented and Accepted**

IX. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Don Harris spoke about the upcoming November 16th CABA Conference in Mystic, CT still able to register if wanting to attend. Also gave information on several other upcoming events.

Chris Wilson made council members aware of upcoming news media due to presenter at a school that had to be cancelled due to negative publicity and threats.

Tim Sullivan made council members aware that starting with the January council meeting there will be a high school student who was elected by her peers from the student senate, a body made up of four student reps from each of the five CREC high schools attending these meetings. Looking in to parent participation for future meetings. More to follow

X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION – A motion was made by Kristen Picard-Wambolt and seconded by David Joy passed unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 12:45 pm