

# DRAFT MINUTES

## Sterling Board of Education Agenda of the Regular Meeting March 15, 2023 Community Room - 6:00 pm “EXCELLENCE WITH KINDNESS”

### **I. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM

Present at the meeting: M. Rouillard, L. Shippee, C. Langlois, V. Robinson-Lewis, D. Capobianco, J. Mossner

Also present at the meeting: T. Friend, H. Nickerson, L. Smith, M. Pearson, C. Brannon, C. Chandler, P. Brenton

### **II. Pledge of Allegiance**

### **III. Public Comment**

Motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by J. Mossner to adjust the agenda and move letter A New Business to now for one student.

Vote: All in favor                          Motion Passed

H. Nickerson presented the Plainfield High School (former Sterling student) CAPSS award student E. Brockett to the Board of Education and read her accomplishments.

### **IV. Reports and Communications**

#### **A. Correspondence**

T. Friend received an email from a parent regarding allowing a student to attend NFA. The Board was in agreement that this can not be done.

#### **B. Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes of Meeting January 18, 2023
2. Minutes of Special Meeting January 17, 2023
3. Superintendent's Report (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)
4. Special Education Director's Report (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)
5. Principal's Report (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)
6. Clinical Supervisor's Report (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)
7. Monthly Check Register (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)

- Motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to accept the Consent Agenda for February and March as presented.  
Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed
- Motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to move under New Business letter A the introduction of the remaining CAPSS recipients to Letter C.  
Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed

**C. Budget and Expense Report (02/15/2023 & 03/15/2023)  
Introduction of Remaining CAPSS Students**

Mr. Friend introduced this year's CAPSS recipients 8th grade students Kian McKenna and Ellamae Bumpus to the Board.

- Motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by D. Capobiano to accept the Budget and Expense Report as presented.  
Vote: All in favor    Motion passed
- A motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to move letter B under New Business and to combine with letter D - Plainfield Board of Education Liaison.

**D. Plainfield Board of Education Liaison/Mr. Paul Brenton, Superintendent Plainfield High School**

Mr. Brenton presented to the Sterling BOE and audience members a powerpoint showing all of the programs that Plainfield High School has to offer students.

**V. Unfinished Business**

**A. Review and Discussion of Policy - 2nd Reading  
Policy #9321.2 - Bylaws of the Board - Time, Place and Notification of Meetings  
Electronic Board of Education Meetings**

- Motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to approve Policy #9321.2 Bylaws of the Board - Time, Place and Notification of Meetings Electronic Board Meetings.  
Vote: All in favor    Motion passed

**B. Review of recommendations received for ACES  
The Board reviewed the recommendations that were received from other schools that ACES has worked with. All were favorable.**

**VI. New Business**

- A. (Moved) Introduction of Connecticut Association of School Superintendent's (CAPSS) Award recipients.
- B. (Moved) Paul Brenton, Superintendent, Plainfield Public Schools
- C. Discussion about Out of District Transportation
  - T. Friend stated that there would be procedures in place when there was the need to transport an out of district placement. If Sterling is able to provide the transportation, we will do so. If Sterling is not able to provide transportation, then we will look for outside transportation.
- D. Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to Approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar
  - Motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by D. Capobianco to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar.  
Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed
- F. Line Item Transfers
  - Motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by D. Capobianco to approve the Line Item Transfers as presented.  
Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed
- F. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval of 2023-2024 Budget
  - Motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by D. Capobianco to approve the total of 8, 423,785.00 for the projected budget and move it to the Board of Finance for their review with the contingency that the business office may make adjustments to the changes in tuitions based on high school acceptances but not to go over the 2% overall increase.  
Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed

**VII. Committee Updates**

- A. Policy
- B. Budget

**VIII. Recommendations, Questions and/or Comments**

**IX. Public Comment**

A.Cerreto asked if the Board could explain how high school would work for Sterling Students.

T. Friend took a moment to acknowledge the Board members for their work in helping the students of Sterling Community School. In honor of Board of Education Month each member was presented with a

gift and thank you note.

**X. Executive Session**

A. Discussion of personnel matters

- A motion was made by C. Langlois and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed

**XI. Adjournment**

Exited executive session: 7:20 pm

- A motion was made by V. Robinson-Lewis and seconded by L. Shippee to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All in favor                      Motion passed

Meeting adjourned: 7:20 pm