

**Sterling Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2015
Community Room – 6:00 pm
“EXCELLENCE WITH KINDNESS”**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair B. Salisbury at 6:00 pm
Present were: B. Salisbury, D. Capobianco, R. Choquette and L. Shippee. K. Fantoli arrived at 6:03 pm.

Absent was: R. Theroux-Keech

Also in Attendance were: B. Needham, G. Lanza, S. Ternowchek, B. Boyd and D. Covey.

Audience of Citizens: D. Darche, J. Angelone, L. Smith and B. Schena.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Audience of Citizens - None

IV. Reports and Communications

A. Correspondence - None

B. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of August 19, 2015
2. Superintendent's September Report
3. Director of Special Services/Early Education's September Report
4. Principals' September Report
5. Budget and Expense Report for August, 2015

The consent agenda was approved as presented

C. Liaison Plainfield Board of Education Report

R. Choquette attended the meeting. She reported that the discovery bus library had 2,000 books donated. They also had 1,400 visitors to the bus library over the summer.

K. DiPietro reported that Robert Riley is a candidate, in the final stages, for teacher of the year.

Plainfield had some problems with transportation at the start of school but they are working with the bus company and Plainfield Police to see if they can resolve them.

The ED001 for 2014-15 was finished and came in under budget.

R. Choquette made copies of the SBAC results with Sterling versus other towns.

V. Old Business

A. Policies – Second Reading

Policy #1331 – Community Relations; Smoke Free

Policy #4112.2 – Personnel; Certified

Policy #4131 – Appendix – In-Service Training

Policy # 5113 – Student; Attendance/Excuse/Dismissal

Policy #5114 – Student; Suspension and Expulsion

Policy #5131.6 – Student; Alcohol Use, Drug & Tobacco

Policy #5141.3 – Student; Health Assessments & Immunizations

Policy #5144.1 – Student; Use of Physical Force

Policy & Regulations #5145.511 – Student; Exploitation: Sexual Harassment

Policy & Regulations #6153 – Instruction; Educational Field Study/Extended Learning

Opportunities

Regulations #6173 – Instruction; Homebound & Hospitalized Instruction

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A motion was made by L. Shippee and seconded by R. Choquette to approve the second reading of Policies #1331; 4112.2; 41131; 5113; 5114; 5131.6; 5141.3; 5144.1; 5145.511; 5163 and 6173 as presented. Vote: All in favor.

B. Action: Vote on Bus Coordinator's contract.

K. Fantoli asked that the vote be taken after executive session.

VI. New Business

A. Other

B. Needham reported that it was a great start of to the new school year and that it will be a good year. All the staff is pulling together.

B. Boyd informed the Board that there will be a Tri-Board meeting on October 21st at 7:00 pm after the regular Board of Education meeting

VII. Recommendations, Questions and/or Comments - None

VIII. Audience of Citizen - None

IX. Executive Session – Negotiations

A motion was made by R. Choquette and seconded by L. Shippee to go into executive session at 6:15 pm for the purpose of negotiations.

Present during executive session were: B. Salisbury, D. Capobianco, K. Fantoli, and L. Shippee and B. Needham.

The Board exited executive session at 6:59 pm.

A motion was made by R. Choquette and seconded by K. Fantoli to approve K. Gunn's contract with the editorial correction to eliminate asterisk and associated verbiage. Vote: All in favor.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by R. Choquette and seconded by K. Fantoli to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. Vote: All in favor