

**ACTION REPORT OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Stamford, Connecticut
January 26, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on January 26, 2010 at the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Heftman, President, with the following Board members present: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade (arrived at 7:10 pm). Absent: Mr. Limone and Mayor Pavia. Also in attendance: Dr. Starr, Dr. Hamilton, Dr. Bruno, Ms. Gagne, Ms. Karwan, Ms. Schiavino-Narvez, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Arnold, Mr. Barbarotta, Mr. DiBlasio, Ms. Bang, Ms. Siladi, Mr. Meyer, representatives from the SEA and EASA, Advocate reporter, and approximately 35 guests.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

The minutes of the following meetings were approved by unanimous consent:

Special Board Meeting – November 24, 2009 – pp. 106 - 108.
Regular Board Meeting – November 24, 2009 – pp. 109 - 118.
Special Board Meeting – December 1, 2009 – pp. 119 - 120.
Regular Board Meeting – December 1, 2009 – pp. 121 - 124.
Working Board Meeting – January 12, 2010 – pp. 125 - 134.

Ms. Wade arrived at 7:10 pm.

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS/RESOLUTIONS

FISCAL

Resolution 01-26-10:175

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Mr. King:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves payment to Stamford Achieves as a provider of SES for the amount up to \$156,468.00 per year.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:176

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Dr. Rauh:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves payment to Professional Tutors of America as a provider of SES for the amount up to \$98,176.00 per year.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:177

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves payment to Global Partnership Schools as a provider of SES for the amount up to \$245,440.00 per year.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:178

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Dr. Rauh:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves payment to Scholastic for the amount up to \$951,013.00 for a one time purchase of Read 180 and System 44 Intervention programs, licenses, and materials for K-12 schools.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:179

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Ms. Wade:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the 2009-10 budget transfers per the document dated January 26, 2010.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:180

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Mr. Polo:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the above purchases of over \$100,000.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Mr. Pia left the meeting.

CURRICULUM

Resolution 01-26-10:181

Dr. Rauh moved, seconded by Mr. Polo:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the School Trip to Italy April 7-April 17, 2010, by students from Stamford High School and Westhill High School.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:182

Dr. Rauh moved, seconded by Ms. Wade:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the School Trip to Spain June 26, 2010-July 12, 2010, by students from Stamford High School.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Mr. Pia returned to the meeting.

POLICY

Resolution 01-26-10:183

Mr. Polo moved, seconded by Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves Policy 5131.911 Bullying Policy, 1st vote.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Ms. Heftman asked for a motion to remove Resolution 01-26-10:184 from the table as it was tabled at the last meeting.

Mr. Pia moved, seconded by Dr. Rauh to remove Resolution 01-26-10:184 from the table as it was tabled at the last meeting.

The motion passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Resolution 01-26-10:184

Ms. Wade moved, seconded by Mr. Polo:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves Policy 6121, Curriculum Management, Design and Delivery, 1st vote.

Ms. Wade moved, seconded by Mr. Pia to strike the clause “as articulated in *A Plan for Curriculum Management Design, and Delivery in Stamford Public Schools*” from Policy 6121, Section 8.

The amendment passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, and Ms. Wade. Abstained: Dr. Rauh.

Ms. Wade moved, seconded by Mr. Polo to strike the word “annually” from Policy 6121, Section 8.

The amendment passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

The amended resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, and Ms. Wade. Opposed: Dr. Rauh. Abstained: Ms. Olson.

Resolution 01-26-10:185

Ms. Wade moved, seconded by Mr. Pia:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the final 2010-2011 school year calendar (vacation and holiday schedule previously approved September 22, 2009).

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

LABOR RELATIONS

Resolution 01-26-10:186

Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak moved, seconded by Ms. Wade:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves a Childcare Leave for the 2009-2010 school year for the following teachers: Kathleen Quaglino, Amy Colandro, and Rebecca Velasquez.

The resolution was passed with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Ms. Olson moved, seconded by Mr. King to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. with the following Board members voting in favor: Mrs. Heftman, Mr. King, Ms. Lahiri-Hoherchak, Ms. Olson, Mr. Pia, Mr. Polo, Dr. Rauh, and Ms. Wade.

Dr. Joshua P. Starr
Superintendent of Schools
Executive Office