

**CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Hartford**

October 3, 2007, Meeting  
9:30 a.m.

Connecticut State Department of Education  
165 Capitol Avenue, Room 307  
Hartford, CT 06106

**A G E N D A**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Participation
- III. Executive Session (to be considered at 12:45-1:15 p.m.)
  - A. Personnel Matters\*
  - B. Pending Litigation (Sheff v. O'Neill)
- IV. Consideration of Minutes of the September 5, 2007, State Board of Education Meeting  
*(Note: The Board will consider agenda item VIII.A. at 9:45 a.m.)*
- V. Items Requiring Action
  - A. Approval of Developmental Reading Assessment Performance Levels B. Westwater
  - \*B. Appointment, Division Director, Division of Legal and Governmental Affairs *(Note: to be considered following Executive Session)* M. McQuillan
- VI. Report of the Chair
- VII. Report of the Commissioner
- VIII. Items for Discussion
  - A. Presentation by Dr. Steven Adamowski, Hartford Public Schools S. Adamowski  
*Strategy for Urban School Reform and Implications for State Policy*  
(9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)
  - B. Preliminary List of Legislative Proposals for the 2008 Session K. Flanagan
  - C. Discussion of Work of Ad Hoc Committee on Secondary School Improvement J. Voss/  
M. McQuillan
  - D. State Advisory Council Report on Special Education C. Russell-Tucker

(Lunch Recess 12:00-12:45 p.m.)

Note: Following the lunch recess, the Board will move into Executive Session (12:45-1:15 p.m.)

- VIII. Items for Discussion (continued)
- E. Progress Report on Comprehensive Plan for Education:  
Priority I – High-quality Preschool Education for All Students M. McQuillan/  
H. Feldlaufer
- IX. Financial Matters B. Mahoney
- A. Mid-Term Budget Reduction Options (action)
- X. Consent Agenda (Note: Any item on the consent agenda may be removed at  
the request of a Board member)
- A. Appointment to the Connecticut Advisory Council for Teacher  
Professional Standards N. Pugliese
- B. Plan to Correct Racial Imbalance – Greenwich Public Schools K. Flanagan
- C. Plan to Correct Racial Imbalance – Fairfield Public Schools K. Flanagan
- D. Grant to Improve Public Knowledge of and Support for Democracy B. Westwater
- E. Mid-Term Budget Technical Adjustments B. Mahoney
- F. Appointments to Ad Hoc Committee on Commissioner Evaluation A. Taylor
- G. Appointments to Ad Hoc Committee on Accountability A. Taylor
- H. Resignation: Associate Commissioner, Division of Teaching, Learning  
and Instructional Leadership M. McQuillan
- XI. Connecticut Technical High School Matters A. Hughes
- XII. Committee Reports
- A. Finance, Audit and Department Matters
- B. Legislation and Bylaws
- C. Policy Development
- D. Connecticut Technical High Schools
- E. NASBE
- F. Ad Hoc Committee on Secondary Education

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Committee Meetings:

- o Ad Hoc Committee on Commissioner Evaluation 8:30 a.m.
- o Legislation & Bylaws Committee: 8:30 a.m.
- o Policy Development following State Board meeting