

**CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford**

**Minutes
of the
June 5, 2013, Meeting**

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the State Board of Education (hereinafter "*Board*") met on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, in Room 307 of the State Office Building, Hartford, Connecticut.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Present: Allan Taylor, Chair
Andrea Comer*
Andreea Dinicu
Theresa Hopkins-Staten
Charles Jaskiewicz
Terry Jones**
Patricia Keavney-Maruca
Estela López
Rebecca Salustri
Robert Trefry, ex officio
Joseph Vrabely*
Stephen Wright

Absent: None

Oath of Office

Attorney Laura Anastasio administered the Oath of Office to Theresa Hopkins-Staten.

Presentation by the State Student Advisory Council on Education (SSACE)

SSACE members presented their end-of-year report to the Board. SSACE members Paige Wallace, Taylor Kennedy, Paige Cantwell, and Sean Petersen presented on the following topics: (1) ways to provide student feedback for the new administrator evaluation program; (2) ways to attract high school students to enter the teaching profession; and (3) ways to enhance communication to parents and community members.

[*Mr. Vrabely and Ms. Comer arrived at 9:45 a.m.]

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II. Public Participation

1. Tricia Donovan, resident of Fairfield, addressed agenda item VI.C. She stated that the Board should conduct an inquiry regarding Count 2 in the Fairfield 10-4b complaint. A copy of Ms. Donovan's prepared remarks is contained in the official file.
2. Susie Byrne, Fairfield parent, addressed agenda item VI.C. She expressed concern about the Superintendent and Fairfield Board of Education not following the law with regard to the approval of textbooks, and asked that an inquiry be conducted.
3. Nadine Nizet, Fairfield parent, addressed agenda item VI.C. She read prepared remarks regarding her concerns about the use of a mathematics textbook in the Fairfield Public Schools. A copy of Ms. Nizet's prepared remarks is contained in the official file.
4. Dawn Llewellyn, resident of Fairfield, expressed concerns about the use of a mathematics textbook that had not been approved by the Fairfield Board of Education. A copy of prepared remarks is contained in the official file.
5. Kelly Crisp, Fairfield parent, addressed agenda item VI.C. She stated that she had not been notified of the change in the mathematics textbook and expressed concerns about the impact such use had on students.

[**Mr. Jones arrived at 10:27 a.m.]

6. John Llewellyn, Fairfield parent, addressed agenda item VI.C. He expressed concerns about transparency and accountability on the part of the Fairfield School district, and the amount of time it took to address the matter.
7. Thomas Stringfellow, resident of Manchester, described several situations in which students achieve "against all odds" and recommended several articles and publications to the Board for reading. He encouraged the Board to continue to keep students and parents engaged.

By unanimous consent, the Board voted to add to the agenda and consider agenda items V.F., Recognition of Andreea Dinicu, and V.G., Recognition of Rebecca Salustri, at this time.

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V.F. Recognition of Andreea Dinicu

Mrs. Hopkins-Staten moved, Mrs. Keavney-Maruca seconded, that the Board adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

Whereas, Governor Dannel P. Malloy appointed Andreea Dinicu of Glastonbury, Connecticut, to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2012; and

Whereas, During her tenure, Ms. Dinicu has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Andreea Dinicu its appreciation for her commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Taylor read a Proclamation in Honor of Andreea Dinicu, signed by Governor Dannel P. Malloy.

V.G. Recognition of Rebecca Salustri

Mrs. Hopkins-Staten moved, Mrs. Keavney-Maruca seconded, that the Board adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

Whereas, Governor Dannel P. Malloy appointed Rebecca Salustri of Columbia, Connecticut, to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2012; and

Whereas, During her tenure, Ms. Salustri has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Rebecca Salustri its appreciation for her commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

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VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Taylor read a Proclamation in Honor of Rebecca Salustri, signed by Governor Dannel P. Malloy.

III. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Hopkins-Staten requested that item III.D. be removed from the Consent Agenda. Mr. Jaskiewicz requested that agenda item III.P. be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Dr. Lopez moved, Ms. Comer seconded, that the Board approve the following Consent Agenda items: III. A., Approval of Grant Application: Connecticut Team Nutrition Grants; III.B., Recognition of Benjamin Leitch, GED Scholar; III.C., Recognition of James Kok, Juan Carlos Reyes-Perez, Germania Toledo, and Rosalie Toledo, Continuing Education Student Award Winners; III.E., Approval of Licensure of a program in Health Information Administration, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, offered on ground and online, Lincoln College of New England; III.F., Approval of Relicensure of a program leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in Business/Management, and a program leading to a Master of Business Administration degree to be offered by the University of Phoenix, Norwalk, CT; III.G., Approval of Reaccreditation of the College, Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts; III.I., Approval of Accreditation of a program in Medical Laboratory Science, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, University of Bridgeport; III.J., Approval of Modification of a Health Science Studies program, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, to add a Health Science Studies completion program, to be offered online, Quinnipiac University; III.K., Approval of Modification of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, to add a RN to BSN completion program, to be offered online, Quinnipiac University; III.L., Approval of Modification of a program in Conscious Evolution, to be renamed Consciousness Studies, leading to a Master of Arts degree, The Graduate Institute; III.M., In the Matter of Todd Gagliardi, Coaching Permit Holder; III.N., In the Matter of Lisa Felten, Certificate Holder; and III.O. Approval of Annual Audit Plan.

A. Approval of Grant Application: Connecticut Team Nutrition Grants

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Law 108-265, the National School Lunch Act, Title II, Section 205, which amended Section 19 of the 1966 Child Nutrition Act, approves the 2013 grant application entitled "Team Nutrition Training Grant" for submission to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

B. Recognition of Benjamin Leitch, GED Scholar

- WHEREAS,** Benjamin Leitch, a resident of East Hampton, has demonstrated exceptional skill and proficiency in the five subject areas of the high school equivalency examination by attaining a score of 3950 on the General Educational Development Tests in 2012; and
- WHEREAS,** He is the Connecticut resident with the highest score on the examination; and
- WHEREAS,** His achievement will receive national attention as Connecticut's outstanding General Educational Development participant; and
- WHEREAS,** He has brought honor to himself, to the State Board of Education and the State of Connecticut; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Benjamin Leitch with great appreciation for his accomplishment in a major adult education endeavor, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

C. Recognition of James Kok, Juan Carlos Reyes-Perez, Germania Toledo, and Rosalie Toledo, Continuing Education Student Award Winners

- WHEREAS,** Adult education exemplifies the concept of lifelong learning with over fourteen thousand Connecticut residents in adult basic education/secondary school completion programs and nearly twelve thousand Connecticut residents in English as a second language and U.S. citizenship preparation programs;
- WHEREAS,** The Connecticut Association for Adult and Continuing Education (CAACE), through its CAACE Student Award, recognized four individuals who have overcome numerous obstacles and hardships to persist and succeed in adult education; and
- WHEREAS,** These individuals exemplify the spirit and determination necessary to achieve a goal and serve as role models to all adult and young learners in our communities; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the Connecticut State Board of Education recognizes the following individuals for their accomplishment in this major adult education endeavor:
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| James Kok | New Haven Adult Education |
| Juan Carlos Reyes-Perez | Windsor Adult Education |
| Germania Toledo | East Haven Adult Education |
| Rosalie Toledo | Meriden Adult Education |

and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

E. Approval of Licensure of a program in Health Information Administration, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, offered on ground and online, Lincoln College of New England

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, extend the licensure of a program in Health Information Administration, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, to be offered on ground and online by Lincoln College of New England for a two year period until June 30, 2015. Lincoln College of New England will provide a progress report in Fall 2013 and Spring and Fall 2014 regarding information on the number of students graduating, number of students enrolled, status of articulation agreements and status of programmatic accreditation.

F. Approval of Relicensure of a program leading to the Bachelor of Science degree in Business/Management, and a program leading to the Master of Business Administration degree to be offered by the University of Phoenix, Norwalk, CT

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, relicense a program in Business/Management leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree and a program in Business Administration leading to a Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degree, to be offered by the University of Phoenix in Norwalk, Connecticut for a two year period until June 30, 2015.

G. Approval of Reaccreditation of the University, Fairfield University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accept the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) assessment and grant accreditation to Fairfield University for a period of five years, until June 30, 2018.

H. Approval of Reaccreditation of the College, Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts;

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11- 48 Section 244, reaccredit Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts until December 31, 2014 to align with NEASC. It is also recommended that the College submit a progress report directly to the Office of Higher Education that includes current enrollments, financial updates, and any changes affecting the strategic plan. These progress reports will be due on September 30, 2013, December 31, 2013, March 31, 2014, June 30, 2014, and September 30, 2014. Additionally, the Board requires the College to submit a copy of all reports to NEASC as well as a copy of any letters of notification from NEASC in response to their submissions directly to the Office of Higher Education.

I. Approval of Accreditation of a program in Medical Laboratory Science, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, University of Bridgeport

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accredit a program in Medical Laboratory Science, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree to be offered by the University of Bridgeport for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

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J. Approval of Modification of a Health Science Studies program, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, to add a Health Science Studies completion program, to be offered online, Quinnipiac University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, modify a Health Science Studies program, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, to add a Health Science Studies completion program, to be offered online by Quinnipiac University.

K. Approval of Modification of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, to add a RN to BSN completion program, to be offered online, Quinnipiac University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, modify a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) degree, to add a RN to BSN completion program, to be offered online by Quinnipiac University.

L. Approval of Modification of a program in Conscious Evolution, to be renamed Consciousness Studies, leading to a Master of Arts degree, The Graduate Institute

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, modify a program in Conscious Evolution, to be renamed Consciousness Studies, leading to a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree, to be offered by The Graduate Institute.

M. In the Matter of Todd Gagliardi, Coaching Permit Holder

RESOLVED, That pursuant to its authority under subsection (g) of Section 10-145d-613 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the State Board of Education orders the Commissioner to file with it, by no later than August 7, 2013, a written report In the Matter of Stefan Pryor, Commissioner of Education and Todd Gagliardi, Permit Holder.

N. In the Matter of Lisa Felten, Certificate Holder

RESOLVED, That pursuant to its authority under subsection (g) of Section 10-145d-612 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the State Board of Education orders the Commissioner of Education to file with it, by no later than September 4, 2013, a written report In the Matter of Stefan Pryor, Commissioner of Education and Lisa Felten, Certificate Holder.

O. Approval of Annual Audit Plan

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education adopts the Annual Audit Plan for the period of July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON MOTIONS: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

Motions carried unanimously.

P. Recommendation Concerning Columbia Minimum Budget Requirement

Mrs. Hopkins-Staten moved, Mr. Jaskiewicz seconded, the following:

Whereas, the Town of Columbia failed to meet its 2011-12 Minimum Budget Requirement (MBR) by \$156,444;

Whereas, failure to meet the 2011-12 MBR results in a forfeiture in the amount equal to two times the shortfall (\$312,888);

Whereas, the Town of Columbia requested that the State Board of Education waive such forfeiture for good cause, as permitted by Section 10-262i of the Connecticut General Statutes;

Whereas, the Finance, Audit and Department Matters Committee, along with the Chief Financial Officer, have reviewed all information provided by the Town of Columbia and the Columbia Board of Education regarding the 2011-12 MBR waiver request;

Whereas, the Finance, Audit and Department Matters Committee has found nothing that warrants an exception to the MBR as calculated and has found no good cause for a waiver of the forfeiture; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education rejects the Town of Columbia's request for a waiver of the forfeiture and imposes a penalty of \$312,888 to be deducted from Columbia's 2013-14 Education Cost Sharing grant pursuant to Section 10-262i of the Connecticut General Statutes, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Executive Session

The Board did not meet in Executive Session.

V. Consideration of the Minutes of the May 1, 2013, State Board of Education Meeting

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Ms. Comer seconded, that the Board approve the Minutes of the May 1, 2013, State Board of Education Meeting.

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VOTE ON In Favor: Comer, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
MOTION: Opposed: 0
 Abstained: Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Hopkins-Staten
 Absent: 0

Motion carried unanimously

VI. Report of the Chair

Mr. Taylor reported that his report will be sent in an upcoming weekly mailing.

VI. Items Requiring Action

A. State Board of Education Organizational Meeting

1. 2013-2014 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Mr. Wright seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 1-225 of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the 2014 schedule of regular meeting dates, as follows:

January 8, 2014
February 5, 2014
March 5, 2014
April 2, 2014
May 7, 2014
June 4, 2014
July 9, 2014
August 6, 2014 (retreat)
September 3, 2014
October 1, 2014
November 5, 2014
December 3, 2014

and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez,
MOTION: Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
 Opposed: 0
 Abstained: 0
 Absent: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Election of Vice Chairperson

Mr. Wright moved, Mr. Jones seconded, that Theresa Hopkins-Staten be elected Vice Chairperson of the State Board of Education, effective immediately. No further nominations were submitted.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of Bylaws 2013-15

On a motion by Mr. Jaskiewicz, seconded by Mrs. Keavney-Maruca, the Board adopted the Connecticut State Board of Education Bylaws dated June 5, 2013.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Standing Committees and Assignments

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Mr. Vrabely seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 4 of its Bylaws, establishes the following standing State Board of Education Committees, and approves the appointments thereto, effective June 5, 2013:

Academic Standards and Assessment Committee

- Stephen P. Wright, Chair
- Allan B. Taylor
- Theresa Hopkins-Staten

Accountability and Support Committee

- Estela Lopez, Chair
- Charles Jaskiewicz
- Patricia M. Keavney-Maruca

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Finance, Audit, and Budget Committee

- Allan B. Taylor, Chair
- Andrea Comer
- Stephen P. Wright

Legislation and Policy Development Committee

- Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Chair
- Andrea Comer
- Terry H. Jones
- Robert Trefry, ex officio
- Joseph J. Vrabely Jr.

VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the Board considered agenda item III.D., which had been removed from the Consent Agenda.

III.D. Finance Advisory Action

Mr. Vrabely moved, Mr. Jaskiewicz seconded, that the Board approve the request for Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) action to transfer \$5,257,000 between various accounts, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board considered agenda item VI.C., Fairfield 10-4b Complaint, at this time.

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VI.C. Fairfield 10-4b Complaint

[Mr. Wright recused himself from this matter and left the meeting room.]

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Dr. Lopez seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 10-4b of the Connecticut General Statutes, orders in the matter of Byrne et al. v. Fairfield Board of Education:

- that the Chair appoint a subcommittee of three members of the State Board of Education to conduct an inquiry for count #2 of the complaint within thirty (30) days of this order;
- that the Commissioner of Education be admitted to the proceedings as a party for the purpose of representing the educational interest of the state in the inquiry;
- that count #3 be dismissed; and

directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	Wright

Motion carried unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board considered agenda item IX., Report of the Commissioner, at this time.

[Mr. Wright returned to the meeting at 11:00 a.m.]

IX. Report of the Commissioner

Commissioner Pryor noted that, as previously discussed, he will not participate in the Board's consideration of formal actions that specifically relate to charter school organizations with which he had prior associations.

Ajit Gopalakrishnan, Chief of the Bureau of Data Collection, Research and Evaluation, and Chief Operating Officer Charlene Russell-Tucker made a PowerPoint presentation, "Suspensions and Expulsions in Connecticut," dated June 5, 2013. Discussion ensued. A copy of the presentation is included in the official file of this meeting.

[The Board recessed its meeting at 12:30 p.m.]

[The meeting was reconvened at 1:15 p.m.]

Present: Andrea Comer, Andreea Dinicu, Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Charles Jaskiewicz, Terry Jones, Patricia Keavney-Maruca, Estela Lopez, Rebecca Salustri, Allan Taylor, Robert Joseph Vrabely, Stephen Wright

VI. Items Requiring Action

By unanimous consent, the Board considered agenda item VI.B.2., Commissioner Network Turnaround Plan: Wilbur Cross High School, at this time.

B.2. Commissioner Network Turnaround Plan: Wilbur Cross High School, New Haven

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Ms. Comer seconded, that the Board adopts and approves the Turnaround Plan for Wilbur Cross High School in New Haven for the Commissioner's Network, on the condition that, by June 30, 2013, as necessary, negotiations pursuant to C.G.S. §10-153s have been completed; and on the condition that, by July 1, 2013, as necessary, any such agreement has been submitted for approval and ratified by the members of the exclusive bargaining representative employed by the New Haven Board of Education and who have been identified and/or selected to work at Wilbur Cross High School. Such deadlines may be subject to revision by the Commissioner. The State Board of Education hereby directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action, including, but not limited to, expending such funds as may be necessary to execute and implement the foregoing.

VOTE ON MOTION:	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, Lopez, Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

[Ms. Comer recused herself from the following matter and left the meeting room.]

B.1. Commissioner Network Turnaround Plan: Dunbar School, Bridgeport

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Mr. Jones seconded, that the Board adopts and approves the Turnaround Plan for Dunbar School in Bridgeport for the Commissioner's Network, on the condition that, by June 29, 2013, as necessary, negotiations pursuant to C.G.S. §10-153s have been completed; and on the condition that, by July 1, 2013, as necessary, any such agreement has been submitted for approval and ratified by the members of the exclusive bargaining representative employed by the Bridgeport Board of Education and who have been identified and/or selected to work at Dunbar School. Such deadlines may be subject to revision by the Commissioner. The State Board of Education hereby directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action, including, but not limited to, expending such funds as may be necessary to execute and implement the foregoing.

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[Dr. Lopez left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.]

VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca,
Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Comer, Lopez

Motion carried unanimously.

[Ms. Comer returned to the meeting at 3:15 p.m.]

B.3. Commissioner Network Turnaround Plan: DiLoreto Magnet School, New Britain

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Mrs. Keavney-Maruca seconded, that the Board adopts and approves the Turnaround Plan for DiLoreto Magnet School in New Britain for the Commissioner's Network, on the condition that, by June 29, 2013, as necessary, negotiations pursuant to C.G.S. §10-153s have been completed; and on the condition that, by July 1, 2013, as necessary, any such agreement has been submitted for approval and ratified by the members of the exclusive bargaining representative employed by the New Britain Board of Education and who have been identified and/or selected to work at DiLoreto Magnet School. Such deadlines may be subject to revision by the Commissioner. The State Board of Education hereby directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action, including, but not limited to, expending such funds as may be necessary to execute and implement the foregoing.

VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca,
Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Lopez

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Approval of Brass City Charter School, Waterbury

Mr. Jaskiewicz moved, Mrs. Keavney-Maruca seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 10-66bb of the Connecticut General Statutes, accepts the Commissioner's recommendation and grants approval of a state charter to Brass City Charter School for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018, said approval granted subject to the conditions noted in the Commissioner's June 5, 2013, memorandum to the State Board of Education, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE ON MOTION: In Favor: Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca,
Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Lopez

Motion carried unanimously.

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E. Approval of Path Academy, Windham

Mrs. Keavney-Maruca moved, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 10-66bb of the Connecticut General Statutes, accepts the Commissioner's recommendation and grants approval of a state charter to Path Academy for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2019, said approval granted subject to the conditions noted in the Commissioner's June 5, 2013, memorandum to the State Board of Education, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

OTE ON	In Favor:	Comer, Hopkins-Staten, Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca,
MOTION:		Taylor, Vrabely, Wright
	Opposed:	0
	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	Lopez

Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Items for Discussion

A. Update on Alliance Districts

The Board agreed to postpone this matter until the June 26, 2013, special meeting.

X. Financial Matters

Commissioner Pryor presented an update on the status of the budget, noting that most funds have been fully restored, and that funds had also been restored to programs that were initially proposed for reduction. A copy of the Commissioner's PowerPoint presentation is included in the official file.

XI. Committee Reports

- A. Finance, Audit and Department Matters** -- No report was given.
- B. Legislation and Bylaws** -- No report was given.
- C. Policy Development** -- No report was given.
- D. Technical High School System Board** -- No report was given.
- E. NASBE** -- No report was given.

Mr. Taylor adjourned the meeting at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Stefan Pryor, Secretary