

BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Communication Committee Minutes

DATE: April 10, 2019

LOCATION: Branford High School Lower Media Center
Branford, CT

SUBJECT: Communication Committee

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ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Joanne Borrus, Committee Chair	Board of Education
N	Michael Krause, CIC	Board of Education
N	Maria Ehrhardt	Board of Education
Y	Ellen Michaels	Board of Education
N	John O'Connor	Board of Education
Y	Dawn Perrotti	Board of Education
Y	John Prins	Board of Education
Y	Elizabeth Regan	Board of Education
Y	Shannen Sharkey	Board of Education
Y	Hamlet M. Hernandez, Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Rachel Sexton, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office

Others present:

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL

01 Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Committee Chair, Joanne Borrus.

APPROVE MINUTES

02 MOTION (Regan/Prins) to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2019 Communication Committee Meeting.
APPROVED (Michaels abstained)

COMMUNICATION

Superintendent Hernandez gave an update on the District's new website and its impending launch.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

03 A. Walsh Intermediate School (WIS) Project Update

Superintendent Hernandez started his report by stating that an abatement update letter was sent out. He also stated that abatement will continue over the summer just as we did last year. Effective May 20th the Large Gym will be turned over to Fusco.

Superintendent Hernandez showed pictures of the progress that included; the first floor depicting concrete on slab completed, duct work for the HVAC system, piping, the elevator shaft, decking for the second floor, a base for mechanicals on the roof, an eight fan air handler, framing for the exterior of the building including window placement (natural light) and inside framing.

Superintendent Hernandez concluded by saying that something for the Board to consider would be how to support staff and students with the transition. Perhaps a modified calendar or blocks of times to permit teachers to prepare their classrooms. He stated that the WIS staff has been incredible throughout this process and thanked the parents for being so supportive.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments made at tonight's meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Prins/Michaels) to adjourn. Joanne Borrus adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

The next Communication Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2019,
at 6:00 PM Meeting at Branford High School, Lower Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Regan
Secretary

Prepared by,
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