

Chariho School Committee Meeting
Regular Session Minutes – June 10, 2014

Committee Members Present: Chair William Day, Vice Chair Craig Louzon, George Abbott, Robert Cardozo, Donna Chambers (arrived at 6:35 PM), Gregory Kenney, Keven Miller and Georgia Ure. Absent: Ronald Areglado, Amanda Blau and Stephen Huzyk.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Barry Ricci, Assistant Superintendent Carol Blanchette, Director of Administration and Finance Brian Stanley, RYSE Director Carolyn Garlick, Parent Liaison Catherine Giusti and School Committee Clerk Donna Sieczkiewicz.

I. Meeting Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Silent Meditation

Chair William Day called the meeting of the Chariho School Committee, which was held in the Chariho High School Library, to order at 6:16 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silent meditation.

II. Executive Session

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: That the School Committee go into Executive Session and close the meeting to the public under the authority of R.I. General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(1)(2)+(8b) - for the purpose of discussions pertaining to an individual's job performance or character and collective bargaining (approval of executive session minutes of May 27, 2014 - Teacher Discipline/Pre-Deprivation Hearing and Teacher Termination Hearing); for the purpose of discussions pertaining to collective bargaining (NEA Contract Negotiations); for the purpose of discussions pertaining to litigation (CTC Mediated Settlement) and for the purpose of reviewing and/or approving other matters which relate to the privacy of students and their records (approval of executive session minutes of May 27, 2014 - Home Instruction Requests); any persons to be discussed have been so notified.

The Committee returned to open session at 6:52 PM and Chair Day reconvened the meeting at 7:09 PM.

III. Closing/Sealing of Executive Session Minutes

Superintendent Ricci recommended that the minutes pertaining to litigation (CTC Mediated Settlement) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached.

Craig Louzon made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: That minutes pertaining to litigation (CTC Mediated Settlement) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached. In favor: Unanimous.

2. Superintendent Ricci recommended that minutes pertaining to collective bargaining (NEA Contract Negotiations) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: That minutes pertaining to collective bargaining (NEA Contract Negotiations) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached. In favor: Unanimous.

IV. Disclosure of Executive Session Votes

Chair Day reported there were six votes taken in executive session. The first vote, approval of executive session minutes of May 27, 2014 (Home School Requests), was unanimous with 7 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Day, Kenney, Louzon, Miller and Ure voting in favor. Donna Chambers was not in attendance for the vote.

The second vote, approval of executive session minutes of May 27, 2014 (Teacher Disciplinary/Pre-Deprivation Hearing), was unanimous with 7 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Day, Kenney, Louzon, Miller and Ure voting in favor. Donna Chambers was not in attendance for the vote.

The third vote, approval of executive session minutes of May 27, 2014 (Teacher Disciplinary Hearing), was unanimous with 7 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Day, Kenney, Louzon, Miller and Ure voting in favor. Donna Chambers was not in attendance for the vote.

The fourth vote, pertaining to CTC Mediated Settlement, passed by a vote of 6 in favor, 2 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon voting in favor and Miller and Ure opposing.

The fifth vote, pertaining to CTC Mediated Settlement, was unanimous with 8 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Miller, Louzon and Ure voting in favor.

The sixth vote, to return to open session, was unanimous with 8 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Miller, Louzon and Ure voting in favor.

V. Recognition – The Superintendent asked all to join him in congratulating the following:

1. Employees of the Month: Amy Swan (Richmond TA), Debbi Miceli (Charlestown Teacher), Lynn Roberts (Maintenance Clerk).
2. High School Senior Madison Brayman for winning the Varsity Open Overall Individual Championship at the Interscholastic Equestrian Association Hunt Seat National Finals in Springfield, Massachusetts. She is the leading hunt seat rider in the nation among those competing at the high school level.
3. High School Junior Abby Taylor for receiving Honorable Mention in Senator Jack Reed's Art Competition.
4. High School Students Zachary Gardell, Lindsey Ide, Tyler Lanphear, Jacob Migdail-Smith, Paige Pajarillo, Kayla Paton, Robert Toth and Nicolas Wollenberg for having attained Regents Commended Diplomas as a result of earning a '4' on both reading and math state assessments.
5. Katherine Sutton (High School Science Teacher) for receiving the 2014 Amgen Science Teacher Award.
6. Athletic Postseason Awards: Boys' Baseball – Jake Blacklock (Golden Glove), Kyle Kirby and Zack Kittell (First Team All-Division), Darin Thibeault (Second Team All-Division), Alex Tefft (Honorable Mention). Boys' Outdoor Track – Kahekee Northup (Second Team 400, Third Team 4x100 Relay, Second Team 4x400 Relay), Zach Gardell (Third Team 400, Second Team 4x400 Relay), Mitchell Carrier (First Team 3000, Second Team 1500, All Class A Third Team 1500), Stephen Gencarelli (Third Team 3000), Max Leatham (Third Team 110 High Hurdles. He also broke the school record at the Classical Classic), Nick LoPriore (Third Team 4x100 Relay), Phil Dineen (Third Team 4x100 Relay, Second Team 4x400 Relay), Mike Rainey (Third Team 4x100 Relay), Alden Andrea (Second Team 4x400 Relay), Jung Kim (Second Team 4x800 Relay), Andrew Ferrigno (Second Team 4x800 Relay), Andrew Sardelli (Second Team 4x800 Relay), Matt Tierney (Second Team 4x800 Relay), James Costigan (Second Team Discus, Third Team Shotput, All Class A Second Team Discus), Cameron Richard (Third Team Javelin, All Class A Third Team Javelin). Boys' Volleyball – Zach Wilcox (First Team All-League D-1 South, First Team All-Division I, First Team All-State, Playoff All-Tournament Team); Robbie Toth (Second Team All-League D-1 South, Second Team All-Division I, Third Team All-State, All Tournament Team at the Little Rhody Invitational).
7. High School Junior Benjamin Nadeau on his selection as the 2014 Law Day Essay Contest Winner.
8. High School Boys' Tennis Team – Division II-Suburban A Co-Champions (Postseason Awards noted): William Masse (First Team All-Division), Jason Darmanin (Second Team All-

Division), Joe Westerberg (Second Team All-Division), Nick Wollenberg (Second Team All-Division), Nick Lecours (First Team All-Division – Doubles), Chandler Scott (First Team All-Division – Doubles), Riley Masse (Individual Sportsmanship Award for Chariho), Chris Alexander, Connor Engel, Orion Ford. Head Coach Ryan Rafanelli, Assistant Coach Kate Bucci.

9. High School Girls' Lacrosse Team – Division III Champions (Postseason Awards noted): Alyssa Bromley, Kathleen Carpenter, Dana Sutcliffe, Paige Pajarillo (All-League Division 3), Jenna Brierly (All-League Division 3), Patience Coombe, Payton St. Lawrence, Sami Orciari (First Team All-Division South), Hayley Wilcox, Megan Kirby, Savannah Dube (First Team All-Division South), Emily Louzon, Izzy Rinne, Elena Lamont, Maisie Jones, Amanda Picozzi (Second Team All-Division South), Kaitlyn Cuddy, Emily Manning (First Team All-Division South), Madison Newman (Second Team All-Division South), Abby Cuddy (First Team All-Division South), Maddie Powers. Head Coach Michelle Tebbets, Assistant Coach Emily Fallon.

Superintendent Ricci asked the athletes (Tennis Team and Lacrosse Team) to reflect on what they think made their teams special. Will Masse, from the Boys' Tennis Team, stated that everyone did their best to make it to every practice and did what they needed to do to better themselves. Paige Pajarillo, from the Girls' Lacrosse Team, noted that the girls really wanted to win the championship so they put their head and heart into every game. They all get along well so this resulted in them playing well together. Both individuals thanked their coaches for all they did.

10. Certified Staff Retirees Brian Asher, Mark Baker, Holly Barton, Debra Engel, James Engel, Burness Guidry, Cesare Mitrano and Etta Zasloff. Support Staff Personnel: Carolyn Darling, Ann Marie Fischer, Robert Rathbun and Elaine Simone. Administrator: Scott Burdick. All were in attendance with the exception of Brian Asher. Superintendent Ricci gave a brief introduction and each retiree was presented with a gift for their years of service to Chariho.

VI. Public Forum

Chair Day asked if there was anyone wishing to speak on an item that was not on tonight's agenda and reminded all that they need to state their name and town of residence for the newspaper reporters. There was no one interested in speaking at this time.

VII. Policy R=First Reading; A=Adoption; REV=Revision; D=Deletion

A. Substance Abuse Policy – This item was on the agenda at the request of Georgia Ure. Georgia stated her name and noted that she is a resident of Hopkinton. She requested this item be put on the agenda as she wanted to revise it by adding the words “police and parent to be notified” to the language under “Use and Possession”, “Distribution/Sale”, and “Paraphernalia” after “...will be subject to discipline as detailed in the appropriate behavior code.” She feels this will strengthen the policy as everyone is responsible; this is a community issue. Superintendent Ricci stated that he has no issue with adding this but it is listed in the code of conduct. Bob agreed with Georgia. They need to look at this policy in conjunction with the Behavior Code. The school should deal with this after the police have taken care of what they need to. Keven also agreed. Parents are a huge part of the equation and it should be included in this policy so you don't have to go from one policy to another. Barbara Capalbo questioned what an abusable substance could be to which the Superintendent replied that this includes anything that does not fall into another category, such as glue. He does not feel that it hurts to have this in the policy. George asked about caffeine pills as he feels this would definitely have an influence on a student. Keven responded that it should be anything and everything that would alter someone's state of mind.

Georgia Ure made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was

VOTED: To add the words “police and parent to be notified” to the language under “Use and Possession”, “Distribution/Sale”, and “Paraphernalia” after “...will be subject to discipline as detailed in the appropriate behavior code.” In favor: Unanimous.

Business

A. Field Trip(s) – Superintendent Ricci recommended approval of the following contingent on compliance with policy:

1. Request of Patricia Risley for @ 33 students and 6 chaperones to travel to Quebec City, Canada from April 8-11, 2015 pending receipt of an updated insurance binder in September (current one expires on September 1, 2014). Keven questioned how this trip is paid for to which Pat Risley responded that the student and/or families pay for the trip. Keven asked about Chaperones to which the Superintendent replied that they pay their own way.

Craig Louzon made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To approve this field trip request pending receipt of an updated insurance binder in September. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Kenney, Louzon, Miller and Ure. Abstained: Day. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor with 1 abstention.

B. Special Education LAC Annual Report - LAC members Chelsea Brayman (Chair), Ann Marie Louzon (Vice Chair), Michelle Conary (Treasurer), Vivian Julier (Recording Secretary), and Iris Ornberg (Corresponding Secretary) submitted the 2013-2014 Annual Report. Iris presented the report and noted the new officers that were elected and dates of next year's meetings. Chair Day suggested that Iris take advantage of the media present and elaborate on where the meetings are held and start times which Iris did. Chair Day then asked if the School Committee was doing all they could to support the programs. Iris noted that the District could assist them in communicating to parents as they do not get many parents in attendance. Every year they have an orientation and speak to parents at IEP meetings and the Preschool Fair. They encourage them to join the group. They sponsor parent forums (workshops) but they still do not get many involved. It is an ongoing challenge and she is hoping through the unified programs that this will increase parent participation. Craig noted that he has a special connection to this group and he applauded their efforts. He would like to see a School Committee liaison to help them. Keven asked how someone would be appointed to which Craig replied that he was actually thinking that someone could volunteer. Chair Day stated that he knows this group works hard trying to get people involved but they have to want to be involved; we can't make them. Keven raised several concerns he had. According to this group's by-laws, they are supposed to raise their concerns/bring their needs to the School Committee. Are there unmet needs? How can the Committee facilitate this? Iris noted that they have many members from the Middle School but do not have all the schools represented. She feels this would help as parents usually will go to a teacher with their concerns. George asked Iris if she had any thoughts or feelings about a School Committee liaison to which Iris replied they are an open forum but it is really parents connecting with teachers. Georgia stated for them to look at the District's Strategic Plan and the strategy for communication. This would help solve the problem we have. Tape the meetings so they can be seen at home. Town Halls have cameras so she sees no reason why they don't have one. We should start using technology and put these meetings on the internet. We need to effectively communicate to the community. Keven stated that he would be more than willing to go to these meetings as he feels it would potentially be a good sign to send to parents.

Craig Louzon made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To have a School Committee liaison assist the LAC with future endeavors. In favor: Unanimous.

Superintendent Ricci recommended that the School Committee accept the report and place it on file. Robert Cardozo made a motion, which was seconded by Craig Louzon, to accept the report and place it on file. Keven noted, that according to the by-laws, there is supposed to be a yearly financial report included with the report. He did not see one so he cannot approve the motion. Chair Day questioned why Keven was criticizing this group as he feels they are working their butts off.

Robert Cardozo made an amendment to the motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: To accept the report pending receipt of a financial statement. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Ure. Abstained: Miller. The amendment carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 1 opposed and 1 abstention.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: To accept the LAC report pending receipt of a financial statement and place the full report on file. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Louzon and Ure. Abstained: Miller. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor with 1 abstention.

Keven Miller volunteered to be the School Committee liaison to the LAC.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: To appoint Keven Miller as the School Committee Liaison to the Special Education LAC. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Louzon and Ure. Abstained: Miller. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor with 1 abstention.

C. Discussion of Consent Agenda - This item was on the agenda at the request of Keven Miller. Keven stated that he feels the Committee rushes through the Consent Agenda as it is usually late when they are acting on these items. Some of these items need time spent on them and he made a motion to amend the School Committee Rules of Conduct: Item II – Agenda Development (paragraph d) to include “Contract and Bid awards \$10,000 and over and personnel actions shall not be part of a consent agenda.” The motion was seconded by Georgia. Chair Day disagreed with Keven. He feels Keven is misinforming the public when he implies that the Committee rushes through the agenda. He has a copy of the Richmond Town Council agenda and they do the same as we do. Information is available to anyone on the Committee if they want it and he feels Keven is micromanaging it. Superintendent Ricci commented that the Consent Agenda is constructed with routine items that are handled efficiently. A Committee member can pull an item at any time if they so wish. He sees no problem with the way this is being handled. Bob added that the Consent Agenda is the normal course of business; the way a District is run. Business items are open and have the opportunity for debated discussion. When they get their packet, they can pull any items they have a concern with. He understands Keven’s motives but he feels the Consent Agenda is a good, working document. With eleven people on the Committee there is more oversight than what is needed so he will vote against this. Craig also noted that he will vote against this. If he has any questions after reading his packet, he makes a call to the administration office. He has no problem with the way in which they operate. Keven stated that while he respects others opinions, he looked at other consent agendas and some don’t put any personnel items on there. They are business items. They are following the law and he would like to see more diligence by this District. Chair Day questioned “in what respect aren’t we following the law?” Keven replied that he did not say that; he said they should be more diligent. Chair Day continued. The Committee has stayed late many nights to discuss agenda items. Craig asked if Keven only looked at one other town to which Keven responded that he looked at a couple; he tried to get a perspective.

Keven Miller made a motion, seconded by Georgia Ure and it was VOTED: Amend the School Committee Rules of Conduct: Item II – Agenda Development (paragraph d) to include “Contract and Bid awards \$10,000 and over and personnel actions shall not be part of a consent agenda.” In favor: Abbott, Miller and Ure. Opposed: Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. The motion failed by a vote of 3 in favor with 5 opposed.

D. Discussion of Parent Liaison – Superintendent Ricci stated that when the Committee first approved this position, they stated that they wanted to review it in June. If the Committee decides to continue with this volunteer position, he is recommending that policy be adopted. Craig felt that Catherine Giusti has done a wonderful job and he would like to go forward.

Donna noted her appreciation to Catherine for taking on this role and was also in favor of going forward with it. Catherine is doing a fantastic job. Bob stated that he thought it would be a fairly accurate reporting of what goes on but it is not. He does not feel that she should offer an opinion; she should not be biased. He has issues with Catherine's point of view and editorial comments. If you want to call it a blog, it's a blog, but it's not an accurate reporting of what's going on here. Keven noted that he understands the idea and creation of the position but other School Committees are doing Facebook pages. We should implement social media that way everyone can view it and comment. This is his preferred method; he is not in favor of continuing the position. Donna felt that creating a policy around this would be good as the expectations would be clear. The issues Bob raised could be handled through a policy. She does not see Catherine's communication as a means of substituting a Facebook page as she has established credibility with parents. Georgia stated they should go back to the Strategic Plan which addresses the issue of communication very well. It is important that we get these things on TV or computer so that everyone can see what is going on. George noted that he is not sure how to access Catherine's email page. It is a mystery to him. Barbara Capalbo felt that Catherine has done a wonderful job. She has brought all parents together; she came forward when no one else did. It has only been a few months. She listens to people as a neutral. If you try having a major policy, then she is no longer neutral. She's not supposed to be on the School Committee's side or anybody else's side. Changing this may not sit well with the parents she is trying to reach. She brings School Committee ideas to parents in a fair and respectable manner. Catherine responded that she has offered to send the School Committee all emails. She is not a reporter. Her intent was never to provide a completely objective point of view since, as a mother of three children she will always have a parental bias. Her intent has been to engage parents. She added that her role has been effective in reaching parents, estimating that 35 percent of those to whom her email newsletters are sent, based on school Listserv signups, open the documents regularly. She can add anyone to the list. Greg felt that Catherine has done a great job. She communicates very well and brings parental concerns back to the Committee. He was in favor of continuing the way it has been going. Chair Day stated to Catherine that he hopes that the individuals being critical to her have at least reached out and read her newsletters. He has read the last few months and did not find anything that he would be offended by. If we are going to criticize or critique, we should have first-hand knowledge. Keven reiterated his feelings that a Facebook page reaches everyone where a Listserv email only reaches those who have signed up. He would rather see the Committee put their time and energy into strategic communication with its stakeholders. Donna noted that she has not agreed that social media is the way they want to go. She does not agree that one is a good replacement for the other. Social media has to be handled very carefully. Bob stated that he was not sure what kind of policy the Superintendent has in mind. He would prefer to defer this discussion for another day and time and continue as it has been. Superintendent Ricci commented that in his nine years as Superintendent, no one has ever stepped forward and taken the kind of initiative and devoted as much energy to this as Catherine has. The results of her informal electronic surveys provided useful feedback. It is critical that someone listens to the voice of parents and the Committee is critical of not having parental involvement yet you have someone here who is bringing the voice of the parents to you and you are critical of that. He does not know what the downside is.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: That the Committee continues with having Catherine Giusti serve as Parent Liaison. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 opposed. Keven stated the reason he voted to oppose this is because he feels they should pursue the District's Strategic Plan for communication and transparency as a priority.

E. Disposal of Surplus Property – Superintendent Ricci recommended approval of this annual event which is scheduled for June 25th with first option given to municipal and non-profit agencies. Advertisement will be on the web page.

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To approve holding the Disposal of Surplus Property on June 25th with first option given to municipal and non-profit agencies. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 1 opposed. Miller did not vote.

F. Discussion of Strategic Plan - This item was on the agenda at the request of Georgia Ure. She quoted from the Strategic Plan Strategy #2 which deals with Communication: Use advisory committees and technological tools as structures for gathering ideas and effectively communicating to the community; utilize social media as a tool for effective communication with the broader community; gather data by providing entrance and exit surveys for families entering or leaving the District and utilize gathered data to inform planning. She does not feel they are doing any of this. She noted her concern with what she felt was a lack of transparency when the meetings aren't filmed. It is so important for the community to know what the Committee is doing. She was disappointed when they got rid of ClerkBase. They should have a plan. The Superintendent responded that when Foreign Language was addressed, Georgia was shocked to learn the District had a plan. We do have a plan; we have advisory committees and we do use social media. We did send exit surveys to parents and none (zero) were returned. Georgia made a motion, which was seconded by Keven Miller, to buy a camera so we can film our meetings. All of the towns have these. George noted that he did not see a problem with having a back-up system. Craig commented that the gentleman who films our meetings has been here every meeting. He gets hurt and misses a couple of meetings so we have a back up – why? Georgia replied, “so we can follow our Strategic Plan.” Donna stated that she was very confused as minutes are posted after every meeting. She doesn't feel there is any issue with people not knowing what is happening. She feels some people are just playing to the camera and this is bothersome. This is her time and people shouldn't play to the camera. Bob commented that this was a budgetary item and the Committee voted not to use ClerkBase to same money. This is not even an agenda item so he does not feel the motion is valid. It is a money item and does not belong under this discussion. Chair Day questioned the logistics of operating a camera as he is not sure they will have anyone who will volunteer to come in and do this. We have no idea the number of people who actually watch the film. If they had hard numbers to support this, it would be a little different. Georgia again stated that she felt this was part of the Strategic Plan. When ClerkBase was stopped, she was told we could do this ourselves. They are not following the Strategic Plan. Keven felt it was a valid motion as it is part of the Plan. In regards to a fixed camera, we could save money. George suggested they ask Mrs. Giusti to do a poll as to how many people actually watch the recorded meetings. Georgia added that the Town of Charlestown and the Town of Hopkinton both have fixed cameras and they have less money than the School Committee. We need to be transparent. Bob replied that the issue of transparency comes up all the time; he is disgusted with this and suggested they move on.

Georgia Ure made a motion, seconded by Keven Miller and it was VOTED: To buy a static camera so they can film their meetings. In favor: Abbott, Miller and Ure. Opposed: Cardozo, Chambers Day, Kenney and Louzon. The motion failed by a vote of 3 in favor with 5 opposed.

G. Approval of Perkins Grant – Superintendent Ricci recommended approval to submit the Perkins Grant. Bob questioned if this would require a new employee to which the Superintendent replied “no”.

Craig Louzon made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To approve submission of the Perkins Grant. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Louzon and Miller. Abstained: Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor with 1 abstention.

H. Approval of Adult Education Grant – Superintendent Ricci recommended approval to submit the Adult Education Grant. Georgia questioned if this was a complete grant or do we match it to which the Superintendent replied, “it is complete, we do not match it.” Georgia asked how much was it for. Superintendent Ricci responded that the budget is on page 5 - \$50,000. Keven questioned how and when is the money spent. The Superintendent explained that this runs year round, evenings and summer. Keven asked the number of adults that are served to which the Superintendent noted that this is located on the back of page two (# attended and the # completed – charts included). They also run other programs such as yoga and GED which are tuition-based. Keven wondered if our teachers staff this to which the Superintendent responded that the positions are advertised.

Craig Louzon made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To approve submission of the Adult Education Grant. In favor: Unanimous.

IX. Consent Agenda Items

Chair Day requested clarifying questions or items to be pulled. Bob pulled item F-2; Keven pulled items B, C, F-1, and all of H. Craig acknowledged the donations and the donors were thanked. Chair Day complimented the Boosters and the wonderful job they do. Gary Harrison was a long-time member and coach who lived and breathed Chariho. This recognition is well deserved.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To move the balance of the Consent Agenda. In favor: Unanimous.

A. Minutes – Approved the following:

1. Executive Session Minutes of May 27, 2014 – Approval of Executive Session Minutes of May 13, 2014 (minutes not sealed).
2. Regular Session Minutes of May 27, 2014
- D. Budget Summary – None at this time.
- E. Treasurer’s Report – None at this time.
- F. Personnel Actions
3. Renewed the following coaches to the positions as noted for 2014-2015 (all required certifications are on file):

	FNAME	LNAME	POSITION	SCHOOL
1.	Elizabeth	Walsh	Girls Tennis, Head Coach	High School
2.	Chelsey	Welch	Girls Soccer, Assistant Coach	High School
3	John	Devereaux	Baseball, Assistant Coach	High School
4.	Carly	Papa	Girls Soccer, Assistant Coach	Middle School
5	Stephen	Cormier	Flag Football Coordinator	Middle School

4. Rescinded the non-renewal of the following: Matthew Bishop (1.0 FTE), Douglas Bliven (1.0 FTE), Katelyn Briody (1.0 FTE), Kimberly Steere (.4 FTE).
5. Accepted the resignation request of Christopher Faraone from the position of Data Systems Specialist effective June 27, 2014.
- G. Permission to Issue Bids/Request Quotes – None at this time.
- I. Home Instruction – Action taken in executive session.
- J. Grants – None at this time.
- K. Donations – Accepted the following:
 1. Donation from the Chariho Sports Boosters of a handcrafted granite bench (installation included) in honor and memory of Gary Harrison, Boosters Past President.

B. Transfers – Keven questioned the need to buy forensic science books; are these for CTC? Superintendent Ricci explained that we have a greater enrollment than anticipated. One section is connected to CTC; there are two additional sections – the program is connected to the CTC sequence and an elective. Keven questioned if they could use categorical funds to which the Superintendent replied that he would have to check to see if they can purchase consumables. Keven stated that he does not want to take money to buy books if they can use categorical money. He would like to wait and see if this can be done. Superintendent Ricci noted that the Committee has already decided on the use of categorical funds for this year and next.

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To approve transfers. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 opposed.

C. Bills – Georgia questioned on page 9 – Whalley Computer Associates. Brian explained that this covered classroom wiring. We received a \$400,000 grant; this is partial payment. Georgia asked how far along were we. Brian noted that they are about $\frac{3}{4}$ done. Georgia questioned if this was all schools to which Brian replied, “the project is for every school.” Georgia noted a concern she had on page 7 – Rhode Island Resource Recovery. Brian stated that we pay for our waste. Georgia asked if there was any toxic waste from CTC; how would she find this? Brian noted that this comes out throughout the year; the waste depicts the vendor. Georgia moved to a question about Martone on page 5 to which Brian responded this was for the security doors at the Middle School. The entire doorway was disassembled, moved and reassembled. Georgia’s next concern was on page 1 – Automatic Temperature Controls. Brian stated that this covered the replacement of a coil in a room at CTC. Georgia questioned Community and School Support Services on page 2. Brian explained that this is associated with the Clinical Day bid at RYSE. Communications Systems Inc. was Georgia’s next concern; did this involve Mario Celani? Brian responded that this was for the fire alarm testing at Ashaway, Charlestown and Richmond and had nothing to do with Mr. Celani. George asked if Martone was the painter we used to which Brian explained that Martone is a general contractor; they started out painting for us. Keven asked if the RYSE Clinical Day was a monthly or quarterly bill to which Brian replied it is monthly; almost every School Committee meeting. It is a \$400,000 contract. Keven asked if this was the first payment to Whalley; Brian responded it was the second payment (the first was about \$167,000). This is the first phase of installation. Keven asked about the KBA charge. Brian commented that \$31,955 was associated with design work at CTC, \$312.50 was a small bill associated with the CTC Dusthog HVAC unit and \$4,000 was for engineering work for the energy grant application. Keven questioned if the \$32,000 for CTC was included in the \$379,000 to which Brian replied “yes”. In order to get a project cost, we had to pay the architect to get a bid. Georgia asked about the payment of \$32,500 to the Town of Richmond. Brian noted that this was for the water line extension (10 years) and this is the third payment.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: To approve payment of bills. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 opposed.

F-1. Superintendent Ricci recommended the appointment of Nathan Potter to the position of Computer Technician effective June 11, 2014 on salary step one of the ESP Computer Technician salary schedule contingent upon (1) receipt of all required application materials, (2) successful completion of district-required Apple and Windows certification exams within three months, and (3) successful completion of a six-month probationary period (compensation to be at the probationary rate during this six-month period). Keven noted a concern he had with this as he felt the candidate did not meet the requirements of the position. The Superintendent explained that he is working towards certification (this position was posted with a “preference” and he is currently taking courses for this). He was the best qualified for the position. Keven stated that he would like to see information about the candidates not selected. He will oppose this because he feels this individual is not fully qualified.

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To appoint Nathan Potter to the position of Computer Technician effective June 11, 2014 on salary step one of the ESP Computer Technician salary schedule contingent upon (1) receipt of all required application materials, (2) successful completion of district-required Apple and Windows certification exams within three months, and (3) successful completion of a six-month probationary period (compensation to be at the probationary rate during this six-month period). In favor: Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Opposed: Miller and Ure. Abstained: Abbott. The motion carried by a vote of 5 in favor, 2 opposed and 1 abstention.

F-2. Superintendent Ricci recommended the appointment of those noted to the positions listed. Bob asked if these were all 'compensated' positions to which the Superintendent responded 'yes'. Bob noted a concern he had with the fact that some teachers are being recommended for three to four positions; he is worried about younger teachers being pushed out. The Superintendent replied that this is not the case. Georgia asked if any were new positions to which the Superintendent explained that items #1-39 are not new; items #40-50 are related to the roll-out scheduled in August. Georgia questioned the compensation for #1-39. Superintendent Ricci replied that it is the same as it has been; some are hourly per contract and others are a stipend. Georgia wanted to know the fee associated with items #40-50 to which the Superintendent responded that he did not have this information with him. Keven questioned what teachers "are not doing" if these positions are occurring during the day. Greg noted that these occur on non-teaching time. The Superintendent added that some positions are before or after hours and some are in the summer. Chair Day noted his concern that all bus supervisors wear safety vests to which the Superintendent replied 'that is the directive'.

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To appoint the following to the positions as noted for the 2014-15 school year:

	Last Name	First Name	Position	School
1.	Matacia	Synora	Art Center Community Outreach Coordinator	District
2.	Matacia	Synora	Art Club Advisor	High School
3.	Johnson	Charles	Band	High School
4.	Regoli	David	Band	Middle School
5.	Rondeau	Ian	Band Assistant	Middle School
6.	Johnson	Charles	Band Jazz	High School
7.	Rondeau	Ian	Band Jazz	Middle School
8.	Dowding	Lynn	Chorus Advisor	High School
9.	Dowding	Lynn	Chorus Advisor	Middle School
10.	Overend	Sylvia	Drama Advisor	Middle School
11.	Renna	Rebecca	Drama Assistant	High School
12.	Cummings	Dorothy	Drama Assistant	Middle School
13.	Moen	Mary	Interact Club	High School
14.	Manning	Mary	Newspaper Advisor	High School
15.	Wedlock	John	Science Club	High School
16.	Mossner	Jennifer	Student Council Advisor	Middle School
17.	Silva	Michael	Technical Equipment Specialist	High School
18.	Wheeler	Donald	Auditorium Technical Equipment Specialist	Middle School
19.	Matacia	Synora	Bus Duty AM/PM	Campus
20.	Desmarais	Jacob	Bus Duty AM/PM	Campus
21.	Silva	Michael	Bus Duty AM/PM	Campus
22.	McKeen	Pam	Bus Duty AM/PM	Campus
23.	Provuncher	Jim	Bus Duty PM	Campus
24.	Kelly	Michael	Bus Duty AM	Campus
25.	Moreau	Keith	Bus Suspension Detention/ESD - Saturday	Campus

26.	Whittaker	Robert	ESD/Detention Supervisor (M, T)	High School
27.	Tamboe	Robert	ESD/Detention Supervisor (W)	High School
28.	Tamboe	Robert	ESD Supervisor (Th)	High School
29.	Moreau	Keith	Detention/ESD Supervisor (M)	Middle School
30.	Moreau	Keith	Detention/ESD Supervisor (W)	Middle School
31.	Whitfield	Glen	Fitness Center Supervisor (M,W)	High School
32.	Weremay	Peter	Fitness Center Supervisor (T,Th)	High School
33.	Matacia	Synora	Peer Tutor Advisor	High School
34.	Pryor	Mikel	E-Learning Supervisor (2 days per week)	Charlestown
35.	Allen	Kimberly	E-Learning Supervisor (3 days per week)	Charlestown
36.	Mooney	Toni	E-Learning Supervisor (2 days per week)	Ashaway
37.	Zonfrilli	Deborah	E-Learning Supervisor (3 days per week)	Hope Valley
38.	Spears	John	E-Learning Supervisor (2 days per week)	Hope Valley
39.	Tarasevich	Paul	Saturday (Community) Service Coordinator	High School

	(10) Roll-Out Facilitators
40. Jeanne Ross 41. Robert Mayne 42. Jennifer Lawing 43. Tracey Hague 44. Melynda Barrette 45. Aimee Blanchette 46. Keith Moreau 47. Kathryn Sagamang 48. Mariah Northrop 49. Jonathan Kelly 50. Mary Moen/Mary Manning	Ten (10) High School certified staff needed along with one (1) HS Media Specialist to assist in the 1:1 rollout of student computers. Preference will be given to current Model Educators. Individuals must be available in late summer both evenings and Saturdays (dates and times to be determined). Seventeen (17) hours total commitment per person. Staff will be responsible to lead basic Mac tutorials at each session and assist in additional rollout processes. Training will be provided.

In favor: Unanimous.

H. Permission to Award Contracts

1. Fire Protection System Extension Bid to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI in the amount of \$383,000. Keven stated that this was a big bid and the ranges were quite wide. He doesn't feel comfortable approving it without seeing the detail. Superintendent Ricci responded that the Committee has a bidding policy that we follow. Anyone can see the bids and all are welcome to attend bid openings as these are open to the public. Keven noted that he will abstain but will take the Superintendent's counsel for future bids.

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was VOTED: To award the Fire Protection System Extension Bid to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI in the amount of \$383,000. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Abstained: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 abstentions.

2. CTC Exterior Envelope Repair Project Bid to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI in the amount of \$334,000 contingent upon approval of state housing aid. Keven noted that he pulled this for the same discussion as H-1.

Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To award the CTC Exterior Envelope Repair Project Bid to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI in the amount of \$334,000 contingent upon approval of state housing aid. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Abstained: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 abstentions.

3. Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Robert Cardozo and it was VOTED: To award the Custodial Supplies Bid to the lowest responsive bidder, by company and individual item as listed on the enclosed sheet. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney, Louzon and Miller. Abstained: Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor with 1 abstention.

4. Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To award the Boiler Preventative Maintenance & Repair Bid to Summit Heating Service, West Greenwich, RI in the amount of \$13,500 for 2014-2015 and \$14,690 for 2015-2016. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Abstained: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 abstentions.

5. Robert Cardozo made a motion, seconded by Gregory Kenney and it was VOTED: To award the School Intercom and Clock Replacement Project Bid for Charlestown Elementary School to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI in the amount of \$134,700. School Intercom and Clock Replacement Project Bid for Richmond Elementary School to Urbane Construction Corp., Cranston, RI should funds become available. In favor: Abbott, Cardozo, Chambers, Day, Kenney and Louzon. Abstained: Miller and Ure. The motion carried by a vote of 6 in favor with 2 abstentions.

X. Reports

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Building Committee – The Building Committee has a meeting scheduled for June 9th.

B. Superintendent's Report

1. CRP – There were issues with this so it will be on the July agenda for approval (but it must be submitted in June).

2. Richmond Sprinkler System – The exterior work (parking lot) at Richmond School won't be done this summer as the money will be going towards the sprinkler system. The intercom system may also have to be delayed if these funds are needed for the sprinkler system.

3. Peanut-free School – Next year Ashaway School will be a peanut-free school due to a student who cannot inhale peanut vapors. All parents will be advised. We have students in other schools with allergies (so we have peanut-free tables) but none are this severe.

4. Graduation directions are included in the packet. Craig suggested that all park on the south side for a quicker exit.

5. Summer School – Will incorporate more technology this year (a blended model).

C. Coming Events were highlighted.

XI. School Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items or Legal Opinions

Craig requested discussion on 1:1 and the School Committee. The Superintendent stated this will be on the next agenda. Bob asked for clarification. Craig noted that he does not feel the Committee should get laptops before everyone else. Keven added that he would like to discuss filtering and software. Georgia asked if the information on the teachers' computers going in the yard sale has been cleaned out. The Superintendent questioned why Georgia thought these were teacher computers. Keven agreed that any computers should have information wiped out.

Donna congratulated the District on the school classification information released by RIDE. This is something to be proud of.

XIII. Adjournment

Gregory Kenney made a motion, seconded by Craig Louzon and it was

VOTED: To adjourn at 9:43 PM. In favor: Unanimous.

Donna J. Sieczkiewicz, Clerk