



CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

New Britain Board of Education Special Meeting

June 17, 2019 – 5:00 PM | New Britain Educational Administration Center

Call to Order and Roll Call

Call to Order

Ms. Nicole Rodriguez, President of the New Britain Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Board Members Present

Ms. Catherine Cheney, Mr. Merrill Gay, Dr. Violet Jimenez Sims, Mr. Nicholas Mercier, Ms. Yvonne Muniz, Ms. Annie Parker, Ms. Nancy Rodriguez, Ms. Nicole Rodriguez, Ms. Gayle Sanders-Connolly

Board Members Absent

Mr. James Sanders, Jr.

Public Participation

Mr. John Board

Mr. John Board stated that in honor of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month he would like the opportunity to team up with the New Britain Board of Education to discuss including the subject matter of LGBTQ history, bullying and diversity into our curriculum starting next school year. He said that he has engaged in preliminary conversations with Superintendent Sarra already and would like to continue discussions with Board of Education members about this topic.

New Business

Approve SCG-049 and Educational Specifications for Renovation, Addition and Site Work at Chamberlain Elementary School

Submitted by Mr. Raymond Moore

Board of Education authorization is required by the Office of School Construction Grants & Review for the Chief Facilities and Special Projects Officer to file Form SCG-049-Grant Application for A School Building Project.

In addition, the Office of School Construction Grants & Review requires Board of Education approval of Educational Specifications for the renovation as new of existing, building additions and site improvements for Chamberlain Elementary School.

The funding source is City Bonding and the Educational Specifications were approved by the New Britain Common Council on June 12, 2019 for an estimated cost of \$49,000,000.

Mr. Mercier motioned to approve the SCG-049 and Educational Specifications for Renovation, Addition and Site Work at Chamberlain Elementary School, seconded by Ms. Sanders-Connolly. Motion carried unanimously.

New Britain Board of Education

Nicole Rodriguez - President | Nicholas Mercier – Vice President | Gayle Sanders-Connolly - Secretary

Catherine Cheney | Merrill Gay | Yvonne Muniz | Annie S. Parker | Nancy Rodriguez | James Sanders Jr. | Violet Jiménez Sims

Approve Summer Authorization for Personnel Actions

Submitted by Dr. Shuana Tucker

In order to effectively and expeditiously hire staff during summer and to enhance our ability to open school in an effective and orderly manner, it is requested that the Board of Education approve summer authorization for personnel actions for all non-supervisory staff (Teachers, Paraeducators, Local 1186 staff and non-union non-supervisory staff) be granted.

Summer authority is not granted for the approval of extracurricular/stipend activities. The authority is not given for the hiring of administrators and supervisors, union and non-union. Authority is not given for upgrades. Authority is not given to hire non-certified staff above the beginning step.

Teachers cannot be hired above the pay level equivalent to an MS+30 or at a salary exceeding \$65,000 for a non-shortage area. Any offer exceeding either requires Board approval.

The authority is in place from June 4, 2019 through September 3, 2019. Members of the Board will receive updates throughout the summer on actions taken under this authority.

Dr. Jimenez Sims motioned to approve Summer Authorization for Personnel Actions, seconded by Ms. Sanders-Connolly. Motion carried unanimously.

Closing and Adjournment

Ms. Sanders-Connolly motioned to adjourn at 5:17 PM, seconded by Dr. Jimenez Sims. Motion carried unanimously.