The Meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Blake Building, 25 Ogden Street, West Haven. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Guthrie at 7:00 p.m. The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**
- John Carrano
- Raymond Collins
- Joseph Esposito
- Robert Guthrie
- Anne Heffernan
- Sandy Lorusso
- Paul Messina
- Toni Paine
- Ursula Reilly

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:**
- Superintendent Paul Tortora
- Assistant Superintendent Neil Cavallaro
- Mayor Richard Borer

**PRESENTATION:**
- Project Graduation 2003 Supporters
  Ron Stancil distributed plaques and thanked everyone that helped support Project Graduation.

**PRESENTATION:**
- Intel Teach to the Future Instructors
  Superintendent Tortora said West Haven participated in an Intel Teaching program. Over 100 teachers signed up and 88 completed the program. He said this is the most significant thing we have done to increase our technology. The name of each teacher that completed the course was read by Superintendent Tortora.

  A video on the new web site was shown. Superintendent Tortora said staff did a great job and the name of each person that helped develop the Web Site was read. Superintendent Tortora extended his appreciation to everyone.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

Chairman Guthrie asked if anyone wished to address the Board.

Tim Wrightington said his children attend Bailey Middle School which is a beautiful school except for the auditorium. He suggested a Committee be formed to asked families to buy a seat. He said this was done in his church and worked very well. He said he would be happy to be on this Committee. Also, Mr. Wrightington said this is the best Board that has been here for years and this fall I hope you will all work to stay together.

Chairman Guthrie asked three times if anyone else wished to address the Board. No one spoke so the Public Portion of the meeting was closed.
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Superintendent Tortora asked Bill Sapienza to address the Ken Strong Stadium renovation. Mr. Sapienza said there were 4 bidders. All Phase Construction came in with the lowest bid. There is $280,000 budgeted for the renovation, however to complete renovations of the bleachers on both sides, repair the press box and the addition of two new accessible seating platforms more funds are needed. Mayor Borer suggested doing the renovations in a two year phase. Discussion followed and it was decided that the Board will hold a meeting on Monday, June 23 for the Board as a whole to discuss this matter.

Neil Cavallaro said tonight’s presentations were wonderful and most of the credit goes to the teachers as there have been many accomplishments this year.

Also, Mr. Cavallaro said there are several new teachers on the agenda this evening for approval and Mr. Cavallaro feels to bring these teachers on board will be a great addition to West Haven.

Chairman Guthrie asked if this will is the final number necessary to hire for the next school year and was informed there are 3-4 positions left at the high school and several Special Education teachers will need to be hired.

Anne Heffernan attended the dinner honoring the Mock Trial Team which she said was quite nice and also the Flag Day Ceremony at Savin Rock School.

Toni Paine attended a couple of DARE Graduation Ceremonies and was very impressed.

Paul Messina also attended a DARE Graduation and said the Police should be commended on the great job they are doing. Mr. Messina also attended the Honor Society Ceremony at Carrigan which was excellent.

Joseph Esposito attended the Concert at Bailey which was wonderful.

John Carrano attended the Field Day held at Molloy which was fun.

Mayor Borer said the City has purchased two areas in the City declared as open space. He offered the property to the Board to use for educational purposes. One property is located off of Platt Avenue, the other on Plainfield Road.

Robert Guthrie said Flag Day ceremonies were held at three schools this year. He said this is an old tradition and they were heartwarming ceremonies.

Ray Curren said the Middle/High School Affairs Committee met and approved a plan to reorganize the high school counseling department and a Crisis Center at the high school. He requested these items be placed on the agenda for approval.
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REPORTS-Continued

A MOTION was made by Ann Heffernan, SECONDED by Ursula Reilly to add Reorganization of the Counseling Department and Crisis Center to the agenda under New Business, Item 03-133. The MOTION carried unanimously.

Anne Heffernan said the Special Education Committee met however no one from the State was able to attend.

D.1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Special Meeting, Student Expulsion on May 27, 2003, 9:30 a.m.
Facilities Maintenance Committee meeting held on June 2, 2003 5:40 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting of June 2, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.
Special Education Committee Meeting held on June 4, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.
Middle/High School Affairs Committee Meeting held o June 4, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

A MOTION was made by John Carrano, SECONDED by Raymond Collins to approve Item D.1. and SO VOTED unanimously.

D.2. RESIGNATIONS- Certified

03-98  Tanya M. Oeze-Dana, Autistic Teacher at Pagels Elementary School, effective August, 2003  Reason: Family Obligations

03-99  Renee Germain, 7th Grade Teacher at Carrigan Middle School, effective June 24, 2003

03-100  Martin Taylor, Principal Thompson School, effective July 1, 2003

A MOTION was made by Sandy Lorusso, SECONDED by Anne Heffernan to approve Item D.2. as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

D.3. RESIGNATIONS-Non-Certified

03-101 Michelle Treloar, part-time Literacy Aide at Molloy School, effective June 24, 2003  Reason: Full time employment elsewhere

03-102 Melanie McDaniel, Twelve Month Track Secretary at West Haven High School, effective July 1, 2003.  Reason: Moving out of State

A MOTION was made by Ann Heffernan, SECONDED by Raymond Collins to approve Item D.3. as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.
APPOINTMENTS:

All recommendations and appointments are contingent upon each candidate providing proof of Connecticut Certification/Official Transcripts, verification of fingerprints, police record, Department of Children/Family and medical clearances. If the candidate fails to obtain or meet this criterion for the position for which he/she was employed by December 30, 2002, the West Haven Board of Education shall have no obligation to honor the contract and the appointment shall become null and void.

All recommendations and appointments are contingent upon each candidate providing proof of Red Cross certification, CPR certification and eligibility for Connecticut Coaching Permit. If the candidate fails to obtain or meet this criterion for the position for which he/she was employed, the West Haven Board of Education shall have no obligation to honor the contract and the appointment shall become null and void.

D.4. APPOINTMENTS-Certified

03-103 Patricia Flanagan, 70 Jessie Drive, West Haven, Art Teacher at Thompson School, effective August 26, 2003

03-104 Kristin Moran, 82 Cherry Lane, West Haven, Literacy Teacher at Pagels Elementary School, effective August 26, 2003

03-105 Andrea Perrotti, 208 Benham Hill Road, West Haven, Grade Five at Savin Rock Elementary School, effective August 26, 2003

03-106 Jason Heffernan, 202 First Avenue, West Haven, Grade Four Thompson Elementary School, effective August 26, 2003

03-107 Karen Kraemer, 204 Bradley Avenue, Hamden, Media Specialist Molloy and Thompson Schools, effective August 26, 2003

03-108 Jessica O’Connor, 77 Balance Rock Road, Seymour, CT Grade One at Thompson School, effective August 26, 2003

03-109 Robyn Segali, 715 Ridge Road, Orange, Grade K at Molloy School, effective August 26, 2003

03-110 Paul Giglietti, 622 Washington Avenue, West Haven, Literacy Teacher at Molloy School effective August 26, 2003

03-111 Cheryl Brown, 41 Ryegate Terrace, Stratford, Math Teacher at West Haven High School, effective August 26, 2003
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D.4. APPOINTMENTS-Certified-Continued

03-112 Rodney Jackson, 197 Kimberly Avenue, East Haven, Math Teacher at West Haven High School, effective August 26, 2003

03-113 Tracey Pernal, 120 Benham Hill Road, West Haven, Grade Six Civic Awareness at Carrigan Middle School, effective August 26, 2003

03-114 Holly Turner, 55 Gay Street Hillside Commons, Unit 1, East Haven, effective August 26, 2003

03-115 Lisa Brooks, 203 Second Avenue, West Haven, Grade Six Study Skills at Carrigan Middle School, effective August 26, 2003

03-116 Kerry Gagney, 392 Silver Sands Road, East Haven, Special Education Elementary, effective August 26, 2003

03-117 Danielle Buda, 15 Seventh Street, Stamford Social Worker, effective August 26, 2003

03-118 Julianne Andrews, 80 Magnolia Avenue, West Haven, Special Education at Pagels School, effective August 26, 2003

03-119 Michelle Sgro, 365 Maher Street, West Haven, Special Education Bailey Middle School, effective August 26, 2003

03-120 Tracey Amendola, 14 Daniel Road, West Haven, Special Education Bailey Middle School, effective August 26, 2003

03-121 Dolores Olohan Libow, 122 Anderson Avenue, West Haven, Social Worker effective August 26, 2003

03-122 Joseph Urban, 510 Plains Road, Milford, Math Teacher Carrigan Middle School, effective August 26, 2003

03-123 Summer School, Special Education-Pagels School-Certified Staff

Lynzi Esquilin $23.39 hourly
Joanne Guthrie $23.39 hourly
Liam Leapley $23.39 hourly
Alison McBride $23.39 hourly
Jennifer Zenowich $23.39
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A MOTION was made by Paul Messina, SECONDED by Raymond Collins to approve Item D.4. Robert Guthrie and Ann Heffernan abstained. The MOTION carried.
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03-126  West Haven High School Summer School, Certified Staff

Karen Booth  $23.39 hourly
John Vento    $23.39 hourly
Ron Conlon    $23.39 hourly
Robert Jefford  $23.39 hourly
Douglas Jones  $23.39 hourly

A MOTION was made by Ursula Reilly, SECONDED by Sandy Lorusso to approve Item 03-126. The MOTION carried unanimously.

03-127  Middle School Summer School Program-Certified Staff

Bruce Sweeney  $23.39 hourly
Raymond Wrinn  $23.39 hourly
Ernest Cusano  $23.39 hourly
Scott Shand    $23.39 hourly

A MOTION was made by Sandy Lorusso, SECONDED by Raymond Collins to approve Item 03-127 as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS-Non-Certified

03-128  Summer School, Special Education-Pagels School Paraprofessionals

Andrea Lewis   $16.34 hourly
Dona Patrigani $13.09 hourly
Lisa Siegel    $16.34 hourly
Claudia Tweedie $14.25 hourly
Lauri Brand (non-union) $  9.00 hourly

A MOTION was made by Paul Messina, SECONDED by John Carrano to approve Item 03-128 as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

03-129  Summer School, Special Education-Savin Rock School Paraprofessionals

Susan Cangiano $14.25 hourly
Carol Roberts  $14.25 hourly
Christy Kelaher $13.09 hourly
Jill DeCrescenzo $13.65 hourly
Laura Toole    $15.62 hourly
Cheryl Kalafat  $  9.00 hourly
Cheryl Kinman  $15.62 hourly
Paula Giordano $16.36 hourly
Shannon McInnis(non-union) $9.00 hourly
A MOTION was made by Toni Paine, SECONDED by Joseph Esposito to approve Item 03-129 as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

03-130 Early Literacy Summer School, K. 4-6 program as part of the School Accountability Grant for the 2002-2003 school year

Clerk: Carol Steeves $18.99 hourly
Office Paraprofessional: Alma Germe $15.62 hourly
Reading Paraprofessional Johanna Warner $16.34 hourly
Reading Paraprofessional Richardine Moore $14.25 hourly

Paraprofessionals:
Coleen Romano $14.88 hourly
Rosemarie Romano $15.62 hourly
Joan Mastracchio $16.34 hourly
Carrie Harris (Floater) $13.09 hourly
Kathy Barra $15.62 hourly
Nancy Salvati $16.34 hourly
Richard Sharp $16.34 hourly
Susan Kurowski $16.34 hourly
Lynnette Stallings (non-union) $9.00 hourly
Georgiana Dini $16.34 hourly
Peggy Spagone $16.34 hourly
Sandra Burns $16.34 hourly
Susan Potter $14.25 hourly
Eileen Hill $16.34 hourly
Carolyn Galasso (non-union) $9.00 hourly
Sharon Vernon $16.34 hourly
Lisa Hansen $14.88 hourly
Addy O’Connor $16.34 hourly
Christina Trasacco $16.34 hourly
Colleen Vitale $14.25 hourly

A MOTION was made by Ray Collins, SECONDED by Joseph Esposito to approve Item 03-130 as presented and SO VOTED Unanimously.

03-131 West Haven High School Summer School

Clerical/Security Elizabeth Driend $17.19 hourly
Clerical/Security Sharon Roth $17.19 hourly

A MOTION was made by Raymond Collins, SECONDED by Ursula Reilly to approve Item 03-131 as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.
NEW BUSINESS

03-132  Handbook for Early Literacy Summer School being held at Savin Rock

A MOTION was made by Anne Heffernan, SECONDED by Paul Messina to approve Item as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

03-133  Reorganization of Counseling Department at WHHS and Crisis Center at WHHS

A MOTION was made by Raymond Collins, SECONDED by Anne Heffernan to approve Item 03-133 as presented and SO VOTED unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL:

There were no questions.

A MOTION was made by Sandy Lorusso, SECONDED by Toni Paine to enter Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. The MOTION carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bernardi
Board Clerk

*These minutes are subject to the approval of the Board of Education