I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Opening Statement

IV. Recognition of Hartford Parent University

V. Recognition of Parents Uniting Resources to Promote Outstanding Student Education (P.U.R.P.O.S.E.)

VI. Announcement of the Creation of the District Student Senate

VII. Dialogue Session

1. Parent and Student Comment
2. Public Comment

VIII. Reports

1. Report of the Chair
2. Report of the Superintendent
3. Committee Reports
   a. Finance and Audit Committee
   b. Policy Committee
   c. School Building Committee
   d. School Choice and Facilities Committee
   e. Other Committees

IX. Business Agenda

A. Items in Order of Importance

1. Resolution: Appointment of School Building Committee Members (The Board)

   The Hartford Board of Education appoints Chairman Matthew Poland and Board member Elizabeth Brad Noel to serve on the Hartford School Building Committee, effective November 21, 2012. Board member Robert Cotto is appointed to serve as alternate as necessary. Superintendent Christina Kishimoto is a member of the Hartford School Building Committee; Donald Slater is appointed to serve as alternate for the Superintendent as necessary.

2. First Reading: New School Design Specifications for Fred. D. Wish Museum School (Supt et al.)

   The Hartford Board of Education accepts the first reading of the design specifications for the Fred D. Wish Museum School.
3. Grant Submission Approval: Parent Academy Program $125,000 (Supt et al.)

The Connecticut State Department of Education is seeking proposals to support family engagement in student achievement through the establishment of Parent Academies. Hartford Public Schools will partner with The Parent Academy to submit a proposal to the Connecticut State Department of Education to jointly run a Parent Academy during the 2012-2013 school year.

The Hartford Board of Education approves the Superintendent’s recommendation to submit a grant application for the Parent Academy Program.

4. Contract Continuation Approval: Connecticut Public Broadcasting and America’s Choice at SAND $90,000 School Improvement Grant (Supt et al.)

The Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network has agreed to continue partnering with the America’s Choice at SAND School for a third year to provide an after-school program that exposes 7th and 8th grade students to the media industry with a curriculum focus on developing writing and communications skills.

The Hartford Board of Education approves the Superintendent’s recommendation to execute a contract with Connecticut Public Broadcasting for the term delineated in the contract ending May 2013; at a cost not to exceed $90,000.

B. Consent Agenda

5. Approval of School Construction Plans and ED042 Submittal (Supt. et al)

The State Department of Education, Bureau of School Facilities requires that School Building Committees and Boards of Education certify that they have approved the final construction documents for school construction projects prior to the Bureau of School Facilities review of the plans. The Hartford Board of Education approves the final plans and authorizes the architects to submit the documents for the following schools:

1. Global Communications Academy at Quirk - State Project #064-0294
2. Journalism and Media Academy at Barbour School – State Project #064-0296

X. Adjournment

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

*** BoE Workshop Meeting: Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at Capital Preparatory Magnet, 1304 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06103. Topics: Curriculum: Pyramid of Interventions/SRBI and Adult Education Report. ***

*** BoE Regular Meeting: Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. at Sport and Medical Sciences Academy, 280 Huys Hope Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106. ***