



**Hartford Board of Education  
Regular Meeting – March 20, 2012  
Classical Magnet School, 85 Woodland Street, Hartford**

**5:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Opening Statement**
- IV. Dialogue Session**
  1. Parent and Student Comment
  2. Public Comment
- V. Reports**
  1. Report of the Chair
  2. Report of the Superintendent
    - o CMT CAPT Testing Overview
    - o Overview of Governor Malloy's Proposed Education Reform Bill
    - o Overview of 5 Budget Priorities
    - o Teachscape, Inc.
  3. Committee Reports
    - o Finance and Audit Committee
    - o Policy Committee
    - o School Choice and Facilities Committee
- VI. Business Agenda**
  - A. Items in Order of Importance**
    1. Administrative Appointment (Supt. et al)

The Hartford Board of Education approves the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Carole Collins Ayanlaja to the position of Chief Academic Officer, effective July 1, 2012.
    2. Second Reading and Adoption: Educational Specifications for the Weaver High School Redesign (Supt. et al)

The facility will be altered to serve 1,600 students in three distinct schools in grades 9-12. The proposed schools include the anchor Culinary Arts Academy (400 students), the Academy of Architecture and Urban Design (600 students), and the Academy of Arts and Sciences (600 students). A construction grant application to cover this work will be submitted before June 30, 2012. The project carries a budget of \$127 million and is projected to receive a state grant of 80% of eligible project costs.

The Hartford Board of Education accepts the second reading and adopts the educational specifications for Weaver High School.

3. Approval: Capital Preparatory Magnet School Innovation School Plan (Supt. Et al)

A unanimous vote of the Capital Preparatory Magnet School Faculty to pursue status as an Innovation School resulted in a proposal to the Board of Education in March 2011. The Board of Education approved Capital Preparatory Magnet School's proposal to pursue developing a plan for becoming an Innovation School.

The Hartford Board of Education approves Capital Preparatory Magnet School's proposal to present their Innovation Schools Plan to the Connecticut State Department of Education for approval and designation as an Innovation School.

4. Contract Approval: Teachscape, Inc. \$940,753 (Supt. et al)

The Identifying Instructional Excellence Committee comprised of district and school leaders, teachers, and the teacher union leadership, are partnering with Teachscape and the Danielson Group to provide software tools, professional learning content, and on-site services that link teacher evaluation with professional development to improve teaching practice throughout the district.

The Hartford Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to approve the contract with Teachscape, Inc. for the term delineated in the contract at a cost not to exceed \$940,753.

**B. Consent Agenda**

5. Contract Approval: Everybody Wins Connecticut \$55,000 (Supt. et al)

The Early Reading Lab at Ramon E. Betances School will continue to partner with Everybody Wins Connecticut for the operation of its Family Resource Center / After School Program.

The Hartford Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to approve the contract with Everybody Wins Connecticut for the term delineated in the contract at a cost not to exceed \$55,000.

6. Second Reading and Adoption: Martin Luther King Gymnasium to be Named: Michael B. DeMaio Memorial Gymnasium (Supt. et al)

Per Hartford Public Schools' policy 3505, at least six months shall intervene between the date of the announcement and the date of the decision. At the regular meeting held on September 20, 2011, the Hartford Board of Education announced the Superintendent's recommendation to name the school's gymnasium, the Michael B. DeMaio Memorial Gymnasium.

The Hartford Board of Education accepts the second reading and adopts the name change for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Gymnasium to be named the Michael B. DeMaio Memorial Gymnasium.

7. Second Reading and Adoption: Formal Name Change of Pathways to Technology Magnet School (Supt. et al)

Per Hartford Public Schools' policy 3505, at least six months shall intervene between the date of the announcement and the date of the decision. The Hartford Board of Education announced the Superintendent's recommendation to modify the name of the school to Pathways Academy of Technology and Design at the regular meeting held on September 20, 2011.

The Hartford Board of Education accepts the second reading and adopts the name change of Pathways to Technology High School to Pathways Academy of Technology and Design.

8. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 21, 2012 (The Board)

9. Approval of the minutes of the special held on February 7, 2012 (The Board)

10. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 17, 2012 (The Board)
11. Approval of the minutes of the special meeting held on January 12, 2012 (The Board)
12. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 20, 2011 (The Board)

**VII. Adjournment**

**April 2012 BOE Meeting Schedule**

- **Budget Workshop: Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.** at Expeditionary Learning Academy at Moylan, 101 Catherine Street, Hartford
- **Public Hearing on the 2012-13 Recommended Budget: Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.** at Kinsella Magnet School, 65 Van Block Avenue, Hartford