

**ANDOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ANDOVER, CT 06232
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday May 10, 2023
Virtual Meeting/School Library**

PRESENT: Chairperson Gerard Cremé, Steven Fuss, Celeste Willard, Mike Beckwith

ABSENT: Chris Bernard, Shannon Louden, Caitlin Greenhouse

ADMINISTRATION: Valerie Bruneau, Superintendent
Taylor Parker, Principal
Terri Smith, Finance Manager

OTHERS: Anne Cremé

1. Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Comments from the Public – None.

3. Communications – None.

4. Approval of Minutes

S. Fuss made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Education Meeting of April 19, 2023, C. Willard seconded, no changes.

4-0-0 (PASSED)

5. Opportunity to Add or Delete Agenda Items

G. Crème made a motion to add Discussion of Calendar and Upcoming Events for Scheduling at 7.E.2., seconded by M. Beckwith.

4-0-0 (PASSED)

S. Fuss made a motion to delete item 7.E.1. Board of Education Policies -Updated Policies, seconded by M. Beckwith.

4-0-0 (PASSED)

6. Celebrations – Happy Birthday to M. Beckwith!

7. Reports

A. Chairperson’s Oral Report – Reminder to all to support the budget referendum.

B. Superintendent’s Report

-Solar Update: Abundance of applications from February, lottery drawing, AES did not get accepted. AES will try again in the November application process.

-New Grants: (3) still waiting to hear results.

C. Principal's Report

Around the School:

- Preparing for annual **Evening of the Arts** event; includes art show, spring concert, dinner.
- Two students named as finalists for the **Invention Convention**; will represent us at the state level in June.

Professional Development & Curriculum:

- Continuation of professional work in the area of Literacy.
- Continuing through our NAEYC preschool re-accreditation and accreditation of our kindergarten program.
- SBAC assessments have begun and will continue for the next few weeks.

Days to Remember: May 9 – SBAC Testing begins; May 22-May 25 – Book Fair; May 25 – Evening of the Arts; May 26 – No School (PD); May 29 – No School (Memorial Day); June 9 – Field Day

Enrollment: 199

D. Financial Report: As presented.

S. Fuss made a motion to approve the budget transfers as presented, seconded by G. Crème.

4-0-0 (PASSED)

E. Items for Discussion and Actions

2. Discussion of Calendar of upcoming events for scheduling purposes

- Discussion to determine when to have a site walk for the new community center with A. Mandeville.
- To discuss at next meeting: Dates to schedule BOE retreat to work on 2023-2024 goals.

F. Liaison Reports – None.

8. Comments from the Public – None.

9. Other Action Items – None.

10. Upcoming Meetings

- Regular Board Meeting – June 14, 2023
- Items for Next Meeting

11. Adjournment

C. Willard made a motion to adjourn at 7:27 p.m., seconded by S. Fuss.

4-0-0 (PASSED)

**Respectfully Submitted,
Gretchen L. Stein
Andover BOE Board Clerk**