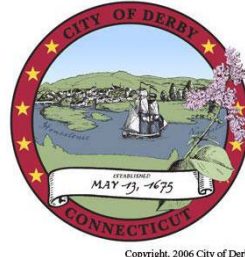


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ANSONIA DERBY TEMPORARY SCHOOL REGIONALIZATION COMMITTEE

Monday, February 11, 2019
Derby Middle School

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

Roll Call

Ansonia members:

John Izzo - Co Chair	present
Steven Adamowski – Treasurer-	present
Lorie Vaccaro	present
Joseph Jaumann	present
Tracey DeLibero	excused

Derby Members:

Jim Gildea - Co Chair	present
George Kurtyka – Secretary	present
Tara Hyder	present
Ronald Luneau, Jr	present
Barbara DeGennaro	present

Also present

John DiCarlo, NVCOG director of Municipal Shared Services
Sam Ribnick, senior director of District Management Group
Robbie Havdala, director of District Management Group
Simone Carpenter, senior associate of District Management Group

Public Portion

Mr. DiCarlo expressed apologies from Mr. Richard Dunne who was unable to attend this evening. No one came forward.

Approval of minutes

Motion by Lorie Vaccaro and seconded by Tara Hyder. Move to approve the minutes of December 17, 2018, as written. Motion passed with Ronald Luneau Jr, Barbara DeGennaro and Joseph Jaumann abstaining.

Treasurer's Report

Dr. Adamowski reported that the process has been established with the NVCOG. Vouchers are set to be processed for the recording secretary services. Going forward, the process is in place to process the expenditures incurred by the Committee.

District Management Group (DMG)

DMG representatives Sam Ribnick, Robbie Havdala and Simone Carpenter were present this evening. Mr. Ribnick felt the focus group workshop held today in Derby went very well. The focus group workshop in Ansonia is scheduled for tomorrow but will likely be rescheduled due to the winter storm forecast. As this is the first meeting with all the members of the Committee, Mr. Ribnick asked that each member introduce themselves.

Members and DMG discussed the highlights of the workshop today. The attendance was very favorable at nearly 90 percent. The attendees seemed excited to share their thoughts and were very open in their discussions. They expressed the desire to create the best learning environment for the students.

At this time, DMG suggested that the committee members separate by city and have an informal initial introduction to their staff. The committee reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

Point of Good of the Order and Public Portion

Dr. Adamowski stated that he understands that Ansonia is in the process of considering building a new Middle School. He felt such action could be detrimental to this committee's process and suggested that a letter be sent requesting that any discussions be deferred until the regionalization discussions have reached a conclusion.

Motion by Steven Adamowski and seconded by Lorie Vaccaro. Move to send a letter to the Ansonia Board of Education requesting that they postpone discussions on the building of a new Middle School.

Discussion on the motion. Ms. DeGennaro noted that this is a special meeting and the subject is not on the agenda. Further, this committee does not have the authority to make such a request. Ms. Hyder felt that each City has their own autonomy and it would not be respectable to make such a decision. Mr. Gildea suggested that the subject be added to the next meeting agenda for further discussion. Derby members were uncertain whether it should be on the agenda at all. Other members were concerned that a new building would create long-term debt that may hinder discussions of regionalization. With no majority consensus the motion was withdrawn.

No one else from the committee or the public came forward.

Motion by George Kurtyka and seconded by Ronald Luneau Jr. Move to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted;
Karen Kemmesies