

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford

Minutes of Meeting
June 11, 2008

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the State Board of Education (hereinafter "Board") met on June 11, 2008, at the State Capitol, Old Judiciary Room, 210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Present: Allan Taylor, Chairman
Whitney Bartell
James Blake
Beverly Bobroske
Alice Carolan
Patricia Luke
Jay Voss

Absent: Donald Coolican
Lynne Farrell
Janet Finneran
Theresa Hopkins-Staton
Michael Meotti, Ex-Officio

On a motion by Dr. Carolan and Mrs. Luke seconded, that the Board unanimously approved the following resolutions:

II.A.1. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Bonnie B. Doran, physical education teacher, Norwich School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Bonnie Doran for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.2. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Jan Ferrier Sands, world language teacher, Simsbury School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Jan Ferrier Sands for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.3. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Jeanette M. Gumbulevich, visual arts teacher, Waterbury School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Jeanette Gumbulevich for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.4. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Kirsten Hardy, social studies teacher, Newtown School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Kirsten Hardy for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.5. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Patricia Hart, special education teacher, Naugatuck School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Patricia Hart for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.6. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Tracy Moore, mathematics teacher, Mansfield School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Tracy Moore for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.A.7. Recognition of BEST Teachers-in Residence

WHEREAS, Lucille M. Parkinson, music teacher, Milford School District, has demonstrated her commitment to the teaching profession by serving as a teacher-in-residence for the Beginning Educator Support and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, She has participated in the development and implementation of enhanced standards for new professionals entering Connecticut's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, She serves as a model (of accomplished teaching) for other educators in her district and state; and

WHEREAS, She has brought honor to her school district, community, state and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Lucille Parkinson for her contributions to strengthening the profession of teaching.

II.B. Recognition of General Education Diploma Scholar

- WHEREAS, James Marr, a resident of Greenwich, has demonstrated exceptional skill and proficiency in the five subject areas of the high school equivalency examination by attaining a score of 3870 on the GED Test in 2007; and
- WHEREAS, He has been named the Connecticut resident with the highest score on the examination by The General Educational Development Testing Service of the American Council on Education; and
- WHEREAS, His achievement will receive national attention as Connecticut's outstanding General Educational Development participant; and
- WHEREAS, He has brought honor to himself, to the State Board of Education and the State of Connecticut; now therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors James Marr with great appreciation for his accomplishment in a major adult education endeavor.

II. C. Recognition of Connecticut Association for Adult Continuing Education Students

- WHEREAS, Adult education exemplifies the concept of lifelong learning, with over twelve thousand Connecticut residents in adult secondary completion programs during the 2007 school year; and
- WHEREAS, The Connecticut Association for Adult and Continuing Education (CAACE), through its CAACE Student Award, recognized two individuals who have overcome numerous obstacles and hardships to earn a diploma through adult education; and
- WHEREAS, These individuals exemplify the spirit and determination necessary to achieve a goal and serve as role models to all adult and young learners in our communities; now therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education recognizes Jacqueline Holmes, East Hartford Adult Education, and Kemlyne Sanon, Stamford Adult Education, for their accomplishment in this major adult education endeavor.

**II.D. Recognition of Career and Technical Student Organizations –
Community Service Awards**

WHEREAS: Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) are a co-curricular, integral part of the local, state and national career and technical education programs; and

WHEREAS: The development of individual student leadership skills is the keystone of these organizations; and

WHEREAS: All CTSO chapters were asked to identify an outstanding service project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education recognizes the following Career and Technical Student Organizations' outstanding service award recipients:

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| DECA (formerly known as Distributive Education Clubs of America) | DECA | Danbury High School, Danbury Carmela Calafiore, Chapter Advisor |
| Future Business Leaders of America | FBLA | Southington High School, Southington Cynthia Davey, Chapter Advisor |
| Family, Career and Community Leaders of America | FCCLA | Lyman Hall High School Sharon Drossopoulos, Chapter Advisor |
| FFA (formerly known as Future Farmers of America) | FFA | Killingly High School, Danielson Bethany Royer, Chapter Advisor |
| Health Occupations Students of America | HOSA | Harding High School, Bridgeport Dr. Marilyn Camacho and Celeste Ulloa, Chapter Advisors |
| Technology Student Association | TSA | Middle School of Plainville, Plainville Camille Westfall, Chapter Advisor |

II.E.1. Recognition of State Board of Education Students

WHEREAS, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Governor M. Jodi Rell appointed Whitney Bartell of Simsbury to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure, Ms. Bartell has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Whitney Bartell appreciation for her commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

II.E.2. Recognition of State Board of Education Students

WHEREAS, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Governor M. Jodi Rell appointed James Blake of Bantam to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Mr. Blake has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to James Blake appreciation for his commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in his future endeavors.

By unanimous consent, the Board adjourned its meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mark K. McQuillan, Secretary