

DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2014
Broadview Middle School, 72 Hospital Avenue, Danbury, CT 06811

6:30 PM

BOARD WORKSHOP ON REDISTRICTING MEETING MINUTES

Present: Joseph Martino, Chairperson; R. Taborsak, Annrose Fluskey-Lattin, Board Members; Melanie Lucas, Transportation; and Dr. Sal Pascarella, Administration

Also Present: Eileen Alberts, Gladys Cooper, Michael Ferguson, Richard Hawley, Richard Jannelli, David Metrena, Kathleen Molinaro, Ralph Pietrafesa, Phyllis Tranzillo, Board Members;

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Pascarella at 6:40 p.m. Approximately seventy people were in attendance. Dr. Pascarella spoke about the three options that are on the table for the Board at the 7:00 p.m. meeting tonight. J. Martino elaborated on the newest option, Option 3 and how it would impact the schools. He gave an overview of all the options, and the meeting was opened to public participation.

Patty Salvatore, Fatima Williams, Hollene Gohn, Paul Salvatore, and Rich Garofola, all Great Plain parents, spoke and they are in favor of the Board adopting Option 1. Lisa Todman, a parent of a child at South Street School, is also in favor of Option 1. Mill Ridge parents, Mrs. Schrag, Stacey Smith Brown, Kelly Dielsi, are in favor of keeping their children at Mill Ridge Primary. Armando Araujo had a bussing question.

Dr. Pascarella spoke to the audience after the public participation to assure them that this redistricting would take us through the next five years and apologized for the emotional upset this has caused for some.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph D. Martino