

AGENDA

ITEM # 5

NEW BUSINESS

DECEMBER 20, 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF TWO-WAY LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

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BACKGROUND

The Hartford Public Schools serves students and families that speak many languages. The cultural and linguistic heritage of our students and families are a valuable resource in our community. Furthermore, students benefit from knowing multiple languages, in addition to English, in our global society.

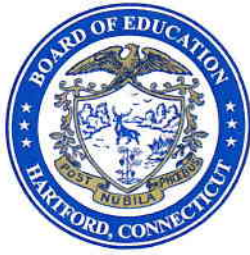
The State of Connecticut requires that public schools within a local or regional school district with twenty or more eligible students classified as dominant in any one language other than English shall provide a program of bilingual education for such eligible students.

The Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 164, Section 10-17f (i) states that, "each local and regional board of education that is required to provide a program of bilingual education pursuant to this section shall investigate the feasibility of establishing two-way language programs starting in kindergarten."

RECOMMENDATION

That the Superintendent, or his/her designee, shall prepare a feasibility study of two-way language programs in the Hartford Public Schools. Such feasibility study shall include, but is not limited to, an assessment of bilingual education, world language, and multicultural programs in the Hartford Public Schools.

That the Superintendent, or his/her designee, shall begin such feasibility study of two-way language programs by September 2012 and report the results of the feasibility study to the Board of Education by January 2013.



Hartford Board of Education
Workshop Meeting – Wednesday, January 23, 2013

Achievement First, Lewis Fox Building,
305 Greenfield Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06112

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order (5:30 p.m.)
- II. Workshop Session
 - A. Two-Way Dual Language Program Feasibility Study
- III. (7:00 – 8:00) Executive Session
(Personnel Matter – Preparation for Review of Superintendent’s Performance)
- IV. Adjournment

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

BOE Workshop Meeting: Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at Bulkeley High School, 300 Wethersfield Avenue, Hartford, CT 06114. Topic: Roundtable Mid-Year Assessment Date Review with Turnaround Schools

BOE Regular Meeting: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at America’s Choice at SAND, 1750 Main Street, Hartford, CT. 06120