



## ***Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives***

Jay Fountain, Chair

Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Monday, August 4, 2014

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Place:** Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair Fountain, Vice Chair Cerasoli and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, DeLuca, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Kooris, Mitchell and Silver. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Day and Figueroa. Also present were Clerk Summerville; Reps. Okun Pratt and Savage; Cindy Grafstein, Mayor's office; and Dr. Judy Singer and Dr. Michael Fernandes, Board of Education.

Chair Fountain called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Committee Action</b>
1. <a href="#">F29.195</a>	RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Permit the Board of Education to file an application with the State Department of Administrative Services, Office of School Facilities, Division of Construction Services for a School Construction Project at Sacred Heart Academy. 07/09/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 07/2/2014 – Held in Committee	<b>Approved 9-0-0</b>

Dr. Singer explained the Board of Education process and responded to questions from the Committee, noting that:

- the original thought was to use the Sacred Heart property as a pre-K to \* interdistrict STEAM school
- as they developed the educational specs for a pre-K to 8 STEAM school, the construction costs were over \$80M.
- The City Boards and the Mayor's office had given them a cap of \$60M, and the CT State Dept of Education looks most favorably on expanding a successful interdistrict magnet school that already exists
- Rogers is very successful on all levels – high applications, demographically balanced, good test results and good attendance
- They had to submit the application by 6/30
- Based on all the foregoing, they changed the application to a pre-K to 5 interdistrict IB school like Rogers.

- This will address the current overcrowding in the elementary schools, and will target students in currently overcrowded schools
- .This will meet the City's needs
- There will be 3 pre-K classes and 5 classes in each of the other grades, with a total school population of approximately 710 students.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, DeLuca, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Kooris, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

Chair Fountain adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Fountain, Chair

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