

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Sprague Public School Community is to provide a center of learning which encourages participation in challenging learning activities by providing a safe environment, relevant curriculum, diverse opportunities, guidance for the future and family engagement.



## If You Have A Concern

A chain of command exists and should be followed when asking school related questions or voicing concerns. Simply, start with the person closest to the problem.

For example, a parent should:

- (1) Contact the child's teacher for a classroom problem, then
- (2) Approach the school principal, then
- (3) Contact the Superintendent of Schools, and
- (4) End with the Board if the matter is not resolved satisfactorily.

For purposes of clarity, it is requested that you put your concerns in writing.

## Sprague Board of Education

### 2012 Regular Meeting Schedule

7:00 P.M. — Sayles School Media Center

#### Dates

January 11, 2012	July 11, 2012
February 1, 2012	August 15, 2012
March 7, 2012	September 5, 2012
April 4, 2012	October 3, 2012
May 2, 2012	November 7, 2012
June 6, 2012	December 5, 2012



The school district will benefit from communication between the Board of Education and the public. There is an opportunity for public comment at the beginning of each meeting.

Your attendance and participation at the Board of Education meetings is encouraged, welcomed and appreciated.

# Sprague Board of Education 2011-2012



**A WORLD OF  
LEARNING**

**Sayles School**  
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## Board Goals 2006—2011

Goal 1: Increase student achievement.

### Objectives

- A. Provide quality, standards-based, culturally responsive and relevant curriculum for our preK-8 students (including the Core Knowledge sequence).
- B. Insure teachers and administrators provide relevant, meaningful and engaging instruction to meet the needs of our preK-8 students (including intervention, enrichment, and interdisciplinary instruction).
- C. Support the four basics that students and staff need in order to succeed: outstanding teaching, sufficient and well-designed learning time and strong accountability to make sure both money and time are used well and that our students are getting ahead.

Goal 2: Achieve resource equity and equality of opportunity; reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation.

### Objectives

- A. Provide full-day kindergarten.
- B. Provide a quality pre-school program.
- C. Extend opportunities for learning in preK-8 for students in need.
- D. Develop alternatives to meet the needs of underperforming students.
- E. Support a physically, emotionally, socially safe and healthy learning and teaching environment for students and staff.
- F. Provide world language and international knowledge/awareness education across all grade levels.



Goal 3: Encourage greater parental/family involvement at Sayles School at all grade levels.

### Objective

- A. Engage families meaningfully in the success of all students (from attendance to homework, etc.).

## Members of the Sprague Board of Education

Ms. Cheryl Blanchard, Chairman  
 Ms. Terri Woronecki, Vice Chairman  
 Mrs. Carmella Turner, Secretary  
 Mr. David Giroux, Public Relations  
 Mr. David Heg  
 Mr. Michael Smith  
 Ms. Susan Zimmerman  
 Dr. Donna P. Leake, Superintendent of Schools

## Board of Education Information

The Board of Education is a group of seven elected citizens whose job it is to ensure the highest quality education for the children enrolled in our public schools.

The Board oversees educational quality by establishing policies for the school administration to follow.

The Board of Education is responsible to both the State of Connecticut and the Town of Sprague. It must comply with state laws, regulations, and guidelines in its own operations and it must make sure the schools do the same. It is accountable to the community whose taxpayers are the primary sources of school funding and whose interests it represents.

The rewards of serving on the Board are great. Members bring unique experiences and beliefs to the table. What they do can, and does, influence the lives of children.

## Subcommittees

There are six standing committees. All policies and operating procedures developed by any standing committee must be approved by the full Board of Education before implementation.

### Policy

Ms. Susan Zimmerman, Chairman  
 Ms. Cheryl Blanchard  
 Ms. Terri Woronecki

### Transportation

Mr. Mike Smith, Chairman  
 Mrs. Carmella Turner  
 Ms. Terri Woronecki

### Maintenance

Mr. David Giroux, Chairman  
 Mrs. Carmella Turner  
 Mr. Mike Smith

### Negotiations

Mr. David Heg, Chairman  
 Ms. Cheryl Blanchard  
 Mr. David Giroux

### Hot Lunch

Mrs. Carmella Turner, Chairman  
 Mr. David Heg  
 Mr. David Giroux

### Health and Wellness

Ms. Terri Woronecki, Chairman  
 Mr. David Heg  
 Ms. Susan Zimmerman

