



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Committee Regular Meeting Minutes October 10, 2023

Meeting held via Hybrid Zoom and Obama Magnet School

I. Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 5:33pm by Mr. Wilcox.

Attendees: Present: Mr. Matt Wilcox, Vice-President; Dr. Joyner; Mayor Justin Elicker, Mr. Darnell Goldson, Dr. Benitez.

Staff: Dr. Madeline Negrón, Superintendent.

II. Pledge of Allegiance: The assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Participation *Channel Name:* New Haven BOE TV
YouTube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vm3Df0afBX0> [2:25-8:17]

IV. Action Items:

1. **Board Meeting Minutes 9/26/23 158-23** **Motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for September 26, 2023 by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Dr. Joyner (Motion Passed)**
Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.
2. **Board Meeting Minutes 9/28/23 159-23** **Motion to approve Special Board Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2023 by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Dr. Joyner (Motion Passed)**
Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.
3. **Personnel Report 160-23** **Motion to approve Superintendent Personnel Report by Mr. Goldson seconded by Dr. Joyner. (Motion Passed)**
Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.
4. **F&O Action Items Agr #3 -United Way 161-23** **Motion to approve Agreements #3 with United Way as recommended by the Finance & Operations Committee by Mr. Goldson seconded by Dr. Joyner. (Motion Passed)**
Mr. Wilcox, abstain; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.
5. **F&O Action Items Agr #1 Greenskies 162-23** Mr. Goldson has an inquiry on this agreement about the assurances or guarantee of locking in those rates especially for an agreement with such a long-life term and regarding whose responsible for maintenance of these panels. Mr. Lamb provides clarification and adds that this is only part of a larger project the City is doing and that information is with the Board of Alders.
Motion to approve Agreements #1 Greenskies as recommended by the Finance & Operations Committee by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Dr. Joyner. (Motion Passed)
Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes.



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6. F&O Action Items 163-23 **Motion to approve 9 Abstracts, remaining 3 agreements, 1 contract and 2 purchase orders as recommended by the Finance & Operations Committee by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Dr. Joyner. (Motion Passed)**
 Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes, Dr. Benitez, yes.

IV. Students' Report: No Students Report at this time.

V. Teaching & Learning Report: Dr. Joyner speaks briefly on possibly passing policy that would facilities effectiveness out of the Teaching & Learning Committee. He acknowledges Dr. Benitez who is also in the committee as well as chair of Governance has been assisting with this task. Dr. Benitez states that there has been discussions with staff have been positive and have been supportive of district goals and priorities. She also highlights the support of both Ms. Keisha Hannan's and Dr. Negrón with the presentations and data they have provided showing the impact.

VI. Facilities Naming Report: Dr. Joyner states that he has met with the District's web master Eric Scholz who works with the IT Department to create a place on the web page for persons to nominate individuals to have our facilities named after. Where we can ad Bio's of the persons that are nominated for people to read more about them before casting a vote. However, voting eligibility and criteria for nomination should be standardized in some way as well via a Voting protocol.

VII. Superintendents Report: Dr. Negrón states the two presentation for this evening. Updates regarding ESSER Spending Overview that was presented by Ms. Keisha Hannan's. Regarding the ESSER spending there is a breakdown of the most prominent line items when it comes to spend on the grant. As well as a guide on the breakdown of priorities when it comes to the spending.

As well as a Social Emotional Learning update by Ms. Typhanie Jackson and Ms. Monica Abbot who is the Social Emotional Learning Coordinator. The Disciplinary data was provided which showed where the school district stands regarding the number of suspensions both in school and out of school which an increase is noted post pandemic. As well as context that displays a comparison of our district and other nearby districts where comparably New Haven was the lowest rates. Mr. Wilcox states that the presentation was very detailed and presenting in an understanding way for all present and watching. He adds that a Disciplinary Update after the Second Marking Period.

Implementation of Social Emotional Learning (SEL) shows the universal approach to restorative practices. The universal work is the development of the culturing climate through a whole school. Which is not just limited to the well-being of our students but also with our staff.



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VIII. Presidents Report: Mr. Wilcox presents that their a Board Retreat which will be next Monday October 16, 2023 at 5:30pm. He adds the Finance & Operations Committee meeting has been moved up to 4:00pm to accommodate the retreat.

IX. Head Start Report: Mr. Wilcox states the meeting is coming soon an update will be available at the next meeting.

X. Citywide School Building Stewardship Report: Mr. Wilcox states the meeting is coming soon an update will be available at the next meeting.

XI. Finance & Operations Report: Mr. Wilcox states in addition to noting that it will be a special meeting but we are actively working to get updates regarding policies, legal expenditure and change order report. Including an update on the Electric bus grant from Mr. Lamb who reported the federal government announced the release of the rebate program for January 2024 updates will be provided at future meetings.

XII. Governance Report: No governance report at this time.

XII. Food Service Task Force Report: Food Service task force meets tomorrow October 11th an update should be available by the next meeting.

Adjournment: 164-23 Motion to adjourn by Mr. Goldson seconded by Dr. Joyner meeting adjourned at 7:35pm. Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Salina Manning
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Executive Administrative Assistant

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