



**NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

CONNECTICUT  
 Board of Education Committee  
 Regular Meeting Minutes  
 September 12, 2022 via Zoom

I. Called to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by President, Yesenia Rivera
Board Members Present	Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President Mr. Matthew Wilcox, Vice President Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary Mayor Justin Elicker Dr. OrLando Yarborough III Mr. Darnell Goldson Dr. Abie Benitez Dave Cruz-Bustamante, Student Board Member Ma'shai Roman, Student Board Member
Others Present	Dr. Iline Tracey – Superintendent, NHPS
II. Pledge of Allegiance	Mr. Wilcox led in the pledge of allegiance.
III Public Participation	Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U</a>  1. Leslie Bateaux 2. Krystal Augustine 3. Matteau Fiesta 4. Alias Theodor 5. Hyles Williams -
i. Personnel Report Dr. Iline Tracey  133 - 22	Dr. Tracey reported that Mr. Peter Solomon was promoted to Coordinator Aquaculture Sound School. He expressed gratitude for the promotion and the opportunity to serve District in this capacity. She further reported that there were 63 new teacher and 18 para-professional recruits. Ongoing recruitment continues to fill vacant classroom positions.  <b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the Action Items of the Superintendent's Personnel's Report, seconded by Dr. Yarborough.</b>  <b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes, Ms. Rivera yes. (Passed)</b>



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	<p>President Rivera informed the meeting of Dr. Tracey’s retirement. All Boards members expressed appreciation and well wishes for her 38 years of service to the New Haven Public School District. She shared her gratitude to offer her service to the District.</p>
<p>ii.  <b>134 - 22</b>          Approval of Metropolitan High School Fieldtrip to Camp Cedarcrest on September 14, 2022.</p>	<p><b>On The motion by Dr. Joyner to approved the overnight Metropolitan High School Fieldtrip to Camp Cedarcrest on September 14, 2022 seconded by Dr. Yarborough.</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes.</b></p>
<p>iii.  <b>135 - 22</b>          Finance and Operations Committee – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Mathematical correction error highlighted by Mr. Wilcox - In Agreement, IIVI - amendment with Catholic Charities to increase funding. New calculation after correction is \$1,591,346.60.</p> <p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve 6 Abstracts, 37 Agreements, 5 Contracts and 5 Change Orders with corrections as recommended by the F &amp; O Committee, seconded by Dr. Yarborough.</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes; Ms. Roman, yes. (F &amp; O Items passed)</b></p>
<p>V.  <i>Student’s Report</i>  <i>Mr. Cruz-Bustamante</i></p>	<p>Mr. Cruz-Bustamante shared power- ‘point that revealed proposed targeted to be addressed during the new school year. In addition to set forth a template for future student Board members.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Facilities maintenance for the new year – video showing flooded area in Wilbur Cross school due to rainfall</li> <li>2. Access to adequate and quality athletic facility</li> <li>3. New Haven Movement Climate Emergency for the Board of Education.</li> <li>4. Student Election Committee</li> </ol> <p>Ms. Roman enquired if lockers were administrated by the school. She spoke positively about Hill House been an awesome school.</p>
	<p>Mayor Elicker gave update on the Wilbur Cross Athletic Complex. He stated that the City along with the city engineers are convene another community meeting in October.</p>



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	Liaison will be done with the Alders identify a date as well as funding. Over \$3M have been secured through various reported sources and additional funding is being sought.
VII. Teaching & Learning <i>Dr. Joyner</i>	Dr. Joyner reported that Teaching & Learning was in a transition. The committee discussed developing an agenda for the year with major changes in the infrastructure to fight against learning loss encountered due to COVID-19. Topics discussed were: Students behavior, data collection and analyst, ways to present data to the Board, differentiate instruction for students and schools that have student in the lower quartile of Smarter Balance Assessment, target instruction assessment.
VII. Superintendent's Report District update <i>Dr. Iline Tracey</i>	Dr. Tracey reported the new school year started off well. She visited with approximately 39 schools. Transportation commenced with limited issues. Professional development had been provided to teachers. Some issues had been identified, however, quick resolutions had been implemented. Recruitment for new staff need had been addressed as well as HVAC system upgrade needed for schools. A Memorandum of Understanding with Union which discussed teachers accepting a sixth class had been sent to the Board.
136 – 22	<b>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to amend the agenda to add the Memorandum of Understanding, teachers accepting a 6<sup>th</sup> Class for 2022 – 2023 as presented by Dr. Tracey, seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b>
137 – 22	<b>Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes.; Dr Benitez, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Cruz Bustamante, yes.</b>
138 – 22	<b>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to authorize the Superintendent to execute the Memorandum of Understanding for teachers accepting a sixth class for April 2022 – June 2023.</b>  <b>On the Motion by Dr. Joyner to amend the agenda to add the Memorandum of Understanding between Laura Benevento, Local 3144 and the New Haven Public Schools, seconded by Mr. Goldson.</b>
139 - 22	<b>Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes.; Dr Benitez, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Cruz Bustamante, yes.</b>  <b>On the Motion by Dr. Joyner to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between New Haven Board of Education, Local 3144, Counsel 4, sub-contracting for Accounting 4, Laura Benevento, seconded by Mr. Goldson.</b>



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	<b>Ms. Rivera, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Cruz Bustamante, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes.; Dr Benitez, yes.</b>
VIII. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera	No Report
	Learning Loss, reading and writing update in the District was discussed. Meeting will be held this Wednesday in some schools. Teaching and Learning will give feedback on solutions to address these matters. Miss Redd-Hannans highlighted plans that are being developed. Collaboration with the State will be critical as act on plans are executed. Dr, Benitez stated that a draft plan will be presented to constituency groups which will be presented to Teaching and Learning.
IX. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox	No Report. Date of next meeting is Thursday, September 15, 2022. New student enrollment vacancies are still available.  Suggestion on enrollment – gather data on how the community respond to advertisement for student enrollment.
X. Citywide School Building Committee Report – <i>Mr. Matthew Wilcox</i>	Met last Thursday. Athletic field school information will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
XI. Finance & Operations Report  Mr. Matthew Wilcox	Student climate groups resolution will commence on a project to identify gap using librarian or social workers. The amount of these workers in the District as well as student needs in the District
XII. Governance Report – Dr. Abie Benitez	Committee met and reviewed advanced placement program for cultural response re student of color for AP classes.  Transgender non-conforming youth policy seeks the Board response after next Monday presentation.
XIII. Food Service Task Group Report Dr. OrLando Yarborough	No Report



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<p>XIV.  <b>140- 22</b>          Executive Session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200(6)(A) re: discussion concerning the evaluation of public officer or employee Dr. Iline Tracey, Superintendent</p>	<p><b>On the Motion by President, Rivera seconded by Dr. Yarborough, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200(6)(A) to discuss the evaluation of employee, Dr. Iline Tracey, Superintendent, NHPS.</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Ms. Rivera yes. (passed)</b></p>
<p>XV.  <b>141 - 22</b>          Adjournment</p>	<p>No decision made. Dr. Tracey's evaluation not completed but expected to adopt at the next full Board meeting.</p> <p><b>On the Motion to adjourn by Mayor Elicker seconded by Dr. Yarborough, the meeting was adjourned by roll call at 8:06pm.</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes.; Dr Benitez, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes. (passed)</b></p>

"A video of this meeting is available the NHPS website, NHPS.net, Public Meeting

*Respectfully Submitted*  
*Myrtis Mason*  
*Recording Secretary*