



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Connecticut
Board of Education Committee
August 9, 2021 via Zoom

<p>I. Called to Order</p>	<p>The meeting was called to order at 5:33p.m. by Ms. Rivera.</p>
<p>Attendees:</p>	<p>Present: Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President; Mr. Matt Wilcox, Vice-President; Mayor Justin Elicker, Mr. Darnell Goldson, Dr. Iline Tracey, Mr. Larry Conaway, Mr. Fiore, Ms. Romans</p> <p>Absent: Dr. Edward Joyner</p>
<p>II Pledge of Allegiance</p>	<p>Mr. Conaway led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>
<p>III. Public Participation</p>	<p>Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U Public Participation (7 Participants)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teresa Johnson • Kirsten Hope-McFadden • Leslie • Tony Criscuolo • Kathleen Gonzalez • Mr. Decapulla • Kristina <p>It was suggested the public be given a response to questions asked during the meeting. Dr. Tracey stated that answers will be posted on the District's website for such question in a timely fashion. It was decided that the allotted time for public participation be increased to three minutes.</p>
<p>IV. Action Items</p> <p>148-21 i. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes</p> <p>149-21</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the June 28 minutes seconded by Mr. Wilson. (Motion withdrawn) Minutes to be reviewed and presented at next meeting.</p> <p>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to approve the minutes of July 26, 2021 and seconded by Mr. Wilcox.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, abstain; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Ms. Romans, Mr. Fiore. (Passed)</p>
<p>ii Superintendent's Report 150-21</p> <p>Dr. Iline Tracey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel Report 	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the action items of the Personnel Report seconded Mayor Elicker.</p> <p>Discussion: Recommended promotion for approval - Ms. Marisa Ansaris to interim Principal, Davis Street School, Ms. Sequella Coleman to Principal, Metropolitan Business Academy and new hire, Mr. Justin Harmon, Marketing and Communications Director, Central Office. They all expressed their appreciation to serve the District and families.</p>



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	<p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, abstained; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, abstained; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes, Ms. Roman yes; Mr. Fiore. (Passed)</p>
<p>iii. Governance Report 151-21 <i>Dr. Tamiko Jackson-McArthur • Policy 5188</i></p>	<p>On the Motion by Mrs. Jackson-McArthur to approve Policy 1588 - The Enrollment and Handling Non-Resident School Age Students, seconded by Mr. Goldson.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes, Mr. Fiore. (Passed)</p>
<p>iv. Finance and Operations Committee <i>Mr. Matthew Wilcox.</i></p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve 2 Abstracts, 8 Agreements, 5 Contracts and 3 Purchase Orders, seconded by Mr. Goldson.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes, Mr. Fiore. (F & O items passed)</p>
<p>V. Superintendent's Report <i>Dr. Tracey</i></p>	<p>The Connecticut State Department of Education had requested of the School Districts a safety plan for in-person instruction for school. The previous mitigation strategies for re-opening might be altered due to the new COVID-19 variant. The District now awaits the Governor's safety guidelines re safety for school re-opening. Changes will be posted on the District's website.</p> <p><u>Dr. Whyte: Health and Safety</u> Strategies in Place for Safe Return to in-person instruction - ESSER Grant request</p> <p>Universal and correct wear of masks for students and staff; mask breaks; maximum distancing; limit persons accessing building; mandatory mask wearing in building; regular ongoing testing at schools; establishing separate testing sites at partner locations. Vaccination clinics available and prior to school re-opening; contact tracing and documentation for students and staff - school nurses will work with students; student quarantine.</p> <p>In case of high emergency, fully remote instruction will be implemented. Deep cleaning will be utilized; buses will be disinfected.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>Suggestions Communicating the importance of testing as well as establishing a webinar demonstrating the COVID-19 test procedures. Request for Director Bond to be present at the next meeting. District to promote and encourage staff and students to be vaccinated. Orientation dates and calendar be made public for parents</p>
<p>VI.</p>	<p>Climate Justice in New Haven schools</p>



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<p>Students' Report Ma'shai Roman</p>	<p>Students desire to establish a better relationship with the Board as well as to understand how allocated funds are utilized for climate change projects in the schools.</p> <p>Ms. Velazquez The City has allocated \$15,000.00 for climate change. Transfer of funds is now in process and will be allocated to the District's high schools to their teacher advisors and interns to promote climate change projects.</p> <p>Concerns were raised re commencing in-person Board meetings. A 48-hour notice must be given. Attorney Alexaides stated that full remote meeting can continue, however, if there is a request by Board members or public for in-person Board meeting, a room must be made available with the technological capability for participation.</p>
<p>VII. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera</p>	<p>The President's report was not presented due to staff and attorneys being on leave so matters to be discuss are still pending. These will be discussed at the next Board meeting.</p>
<p>VIII. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Student enrollment continues with space availability in Head Start and School Readiness programs. Date of next meeting is August 19 at 5:00pm.</p>
<p>IX. Citywide School Building Committee Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Committee met on August 12 and discussed securing space on the District's website to outline structural improvement that saves electricity for efficiency. Will continue to discuss the matter.</p>
<p>X. Finance & Operations Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Committee met. Hiring bonus for First Student drivers was addressed. First Student will completely underwrite the new drivers hiring bonus, which is now reported to be \$5,000.00. Changes implemented will affect the present contract and will have to be re-negotiated then submit to the Board to be discussed for payment.</p> <p>Clarified part-time pay update and specified data needed re numbers, titles, funding sources, functions, pay rates etc.</p> <p>Reviewed facility usage and rates re after school programs charges and tier. Also the processes for approval before presenting to the finance committee.</p> <p>Request was made of Dr. Tracey to provide a copy of grants and abstracts for the District this she will submit to the Board.</p>
<p>XI. Governance Report – Dr. Tamiko Jackson-McArthur</p>	<p>Report is presently incomplete due to personal emergency, which resulted in an early departure from the meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Lamb will give update at the next Board meeting re air quality policy.</p>
<p>XII. Facility Naming Report <i>Dr. Jackson-McArthur</i></p>	<p>No Report</p>
<p>XIII. Teaching &</p>	<p>No Report</p>



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Learning Report Dr. Edward Joyner	
XIV. Food Service Task Group Report <i>Mr. Larry Conaway</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day for summer program is August 20th. • Agenda priority topic is Food Allergy Policy implementation for 2021. • Ensure adequate staff coverage for school re-opening • Policy 3000 series is being updated <p>Policy will be reviewed annually.</p>
XV. Compensation Equity Report <i>Mr. Conaway</i>	<p>Awaiting part-time staff analysis (50 cents to \$1.00 raise). Part-time Para-professional salary increase remains on the agenda for a resolution. Data will be provided for next meeting when central office staff returns from vacation.</p>
XVI. 152-21 Adjournment	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to adjourn seconded by Mr. Conaway, it was voted by roll call to adjourn the meeting at 7:39pm.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes.(Passed)</p>

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Respectfully Submitted
Myrtis Mason
Recording Secretary

