WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Michael Gordon Chair Jeannie Smith Vice Chair Mark Mathias Karen Kleine Vik Muktavaram Candice Savin

Administrators Present:

| Colleen Palmer | Superintendent of Schools |
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| Elio Longo | Dir. of School Business Operations |
| Jennifer Allen | Dir. of Secondary Ed. & Research |
| Julie Droller | Dir. of Elementary Education |
| John Bayers | Dir. of Human Resources & General Admin. |
| Michael Rizzo | Director of Pupil Services |
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Absent: Elaine Whitney

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:37 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria (Room 301)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES: Michael Gordon moved to approve the minutes of November 21, 2016; seconded by Mark Mathias and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Changes to 2017-2018 School Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves changing the January 12 professional development day to February 16 in the 2017-18 school year and adjusting the student calendar in a similar manner so that January 12 is a day of school for all students and February 16 is a vacation day for all students

| MOTION: | Mark Mathias |
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| SECOND: | Vik Muktavaram |
| RESULT: | Passed Unanimously |
| VOTE: | 6-0 |

DISCUSSION:

FY 2018 Preliminary Budget Discussions with Board of Finance and RTM Education and Finance Committee Chairs

The following officials joined the Board of Education at the table for the discussion: Board of Finance members Brian Stern, Michael Rea, Jen Tooker, Lee Caney, Sheri Gordon, John Hartwell, and Jim Westphal; RTM Education Committee Chair Velma Heller; RTM Finance Committee Chair Jeff Weiser; and First Selectman Jim Marpe. **ADJOURNMENT:** Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 8:59 p.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary (Minutes written by Lisa Marriott & based on notes from Jeannie Smith)