

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Michael Gordon	Chair
Jeannie Smith	Vice Chair
Elaine Whitney*	Secretary
Mark Mathias	
Karen Kleine	
Vik Muktavaram	
Candice Savin	

Administrators Present:

Colleen Palmer	Superintendent of Schools
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
Michael Rizzo	Director of Pupil Services

*Arrived at 7:37 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:35 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria (Room 301)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 3, 2017 meeting were deferred by consensus.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Acceptance of Gifts

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Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation a donation of \$17,500 by the Saugatuck Elementary School PTA to Saugatuck Elementary School for the purchase of modular seating for the school library.

MOTION: Mark Mathias
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Review by Insurance Consultant Lockton Companies, LLC of:

- Status of Current Medical Claims
- FY 2018 Projections
- Stop Loss Insurance
- Impact of High Claims

Discussion and Possible Vote to Seek Restoration of Funds For the FY 2018 Operating Budget From the RTM

Be It Resolved, That the Board of Education seeks restoration of funds from the RTM for the FY 2018 Board of Education Operating Budget in the amount of \$700,000, representing \$310,000 restored by the Board of Finance and an additional amount of \$390,000.

MOTION: Michael Gordon
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Note: Mark Mathias moved to amend the restoration amount to \$884,000; there was no second and therefore no vote on this proposed amendment.

Non-Renewal of Certified Teaching Staff

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-151, the Board of Education hereby votes not to renew the contracts of the following certified staff members for the 2017-2018 school year:

Laura Alderucci, Jessica Bilangino, Erika DiGiovanni, Katie Hall, Elizabeth Holdner, Linda Kangro, Carolyn Keeley, Maria Laughlin, and Tammon Margosian.

And Be It Further Resolved, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to notify these staff members of this action.

MOTION: Mark Mathias
SECOND: Candice Savin
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

UPDATES:

Quarterly Financial Report: July 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

ADJOURNMENT: Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:55 p.m; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)