

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Board Members Present:

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

Administrators Present:

Colleen Palmer Superintendent of Schools
Elio Longo Dir. of School Business Operations
Julie Droller Dir. of Elementary Education
John Bayers Dir. of Human Resources
Michael Rizzo Director of Pupil Services

Absent:

Candice Savin

Absent:

Jennifer Allen Dir. of Secondary Ed. & Research

Public Call To Order: 6:40 p.m. Pupil Services Conference Room 333

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pending Litigation

Elaine Whitney moved to go into executive session to discuss Pending Litigation; seconded by Mark Mathias and passed unanimously. All Board members were present except Candace Savin. Colleen Palmer, Michael Rizzo, and Marsha Moses of Moses & Devlin LLP attended at the invitation of the Board. The executive session adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

RESUME 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: Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017; seconded by Michael Gordon, passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Update on CMS Mold Remediation

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the expenditure of \$107,904.70 from the Board of Education Carryover Account to cover the cost of additional mold remediation incurred at Coleytown Middle School, with notice to be sent to the Board of Finance so as to meet the conditions necessitated by the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement dated August 31, 2015 between the Board of Education and the Board of Finance creating the Carryover Account. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education requests that the Board Finance approves Carryover Account expenditures in the amount of \$107,904.70, an additional expenditure above \$200,000 as set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney

SECOND: Mark Mathias
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 6-0

DISCUSSION:

Discussion of Mitigation Strategies to Address Board of Finance Budget Budget Guidance

ADJOURNMENT: Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:50 p.m; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)