

Meeting: August 28, 2017

Staples High School

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Board Members Present:

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
Julie Droller Dir. of Elementary Education
John Bayers Dir. of Human Resources
Michael Rizzo Director of Pupil Services

Absent:

Michael Gordon

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:34 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 June 12, 2017 and June 20, 2017; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

UPDATES:

Summer Maintenance Projects Completed

Coleytown Middle School Mold Remediation

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

2016-2017 End-of-Year Financial Report

Return of Funds to the Town and Transfer of Funds to Board of Education Carryover Account

Be It Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2016-2017 End-of-Year Financial Report as prepared by Elio Longo, a copy of said report to be appended to the minutes of the meeting of August 28, 2017.

Be It Further Resolved, That the Board of Education approves the transfer of funds across account categories as requested within said 2016-2017 End-of-Year Financial Report, agrees to return the amount of \$390,000.00 to the Town of Westport, and requests of the Board of Finance that the remaining estimated surplus balance in the amount of \$327,075.11 be deposited in the Board of Education Carryover Account.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Vik Muktavaram

Motion to amend the original motion to change to \$100,000.00 the funds to be returned to the Town of Westport and to change to \$617,075.11 the funds to be requested to be deposited into the Board of Education Carryover Account.

MOTION: Mark Mathias
SECOND: Candice Savin
RESULT: Failed
VOTE: 2-4 (Mark Mathias and Candice Savin in favor; Jeannie Smith, Elaine Whitney, Karen Kleine and Vik Muktavaram opposed)

Vote on original motion:

RESULT: Passed
VOTE: 5-1 (Mark Mathias opposed)

DISCUSSION:

Superintendent's Report for the Start of the 2017-2018 School Year:

- Enrollment and Staffing
- Teaching and Learning
- Legislative
- Strategic Planning
- Board Committees

Calendar of Board of Education Agenda Items: September 2017 – June 2018

ADJOURNMENT: Karen Kleine moved to adjourn at 10:20 p.m; seconded by Candice Savin and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)