

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 & General Admin.
Michael Rizzo	Director of Pupil Services

*After having been sworn in as a new Board Member

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:34 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria (Room 301)

A moment of silence was held for Ellen Zunick, a paraprofessional at Kings Highway School who recently passed away.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES: Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of October 10, 2016, October 16, 2016 and October 18, 2016; seconded by Michael Gordon and passed unanimously (6-0).

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Appointment of a New Board of Education Member

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Candice Savin as a Member of the Board of Education, to serve the remainder of the term vacated on September 30, 2016 by Brett Aronow, said term to expire in November 2017.

MOTION: Michael Gordon
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 6-0

Immediately after the vote to appoint Candice Savin as a new Board Member, Patricia Strauss, Town Clerk, administered the oath of office to Ms. Savin. After being sworn in as a Board Member, Ms. Savin joined the rest of the Board at the table.

Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Westport Intermediate Administrators Association

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the tentative agreement dated October 6, 2016, between the Westport Board of Education and the Westport Intermediate Administrators Association, a copy of which will be appended to the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of October 24, 2016.

MOTION: Jeannie Smith
SECOND: Vik Muktavaram
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 6-0-1 (Candice Savin abstaining)

Milone and MacBroom - Proposal for Scope of Services for a Comprehensive Enrollment Projections Study

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an Agreement with Milone and MacBroom to conduct a Comprehensive Enrollment Projections Study of the Westport Public Schools in accordance with the documentation included with the Agenda of the Meeting of October 24, 2016. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education authorizes the expenditure of \$23,500 from the Board of Education Carryover Account, 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.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Vik Muktavaram
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Coleytown Middle School - Mold Remediation Costs

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the expenditure of \$93,822.50 from the Board of Education Carryover Account to cover the cost of mold remediation incurred to date 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.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Approval of FY 2018 Budget Preparation Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2017-2018 Budget Preparation Calendar presented at the meeting of October 24, 2015.

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

DISCUSSION:

Board of Education Establishment of FY 2018 Budget Guidelines: Goals and Priorities

UPDATE:

Dialectical Behavioral Therapy

Health and Medical Insurance Revenue and Expenses; Projected Year-End Balance in Health Reserve Account

Quarterly Financial Report: July 1, 2016 - September 30, 2016

ADJOURNMENT: Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:52 p.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)