

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Board Members Present:

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

Administrators Present:

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

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:38 p.m., Staples High School Cafeteria

RECOGNITION:

CSSA Fred Scimone Science Leadership Award Recipient Dr. AJ Scheetz

Student Mural Installation

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES: May 20, 21, and 29, 2018

Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of May 20, 21 and 29, 2018; seconded by Michael Gordon and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Acceptance of Gifts

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation the donation of \$5,000 by Mr. and Mrs. Smithson to sponsor the Westport Pops Concert.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation the donation of \$5,000 by the Coleytown Elementary School PTA t to initiate the CES maker space footprint within the library and media center.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Non-Union Personnel Compensation 2018-2019

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the salaries for its non-represented employees in accordance with the schedule on file in the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

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

Carryover Funds

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education requests authorization from the Board of Finance to deposit into the Board of Education carryover account any unexpended funds from the FY 2017-18 operating budget.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Michael Gordon

Elaine Whitney moved to amend the motion to insert “up to \$500,000” after “any unexpended funds”.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Vik Muktavaram

After discussion, Elaine Whitney moved to withdraw the original proposed amendment and replace it with an amendment to the motion to insert “up to \$250,000” after “any unexpended funds”.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Jeannie Smith

RESULT: Passed

VOTE: 4-3 (Michael Gordon, Jeannie Smith, Elaine Whitney and Vik Muktavaram in favor; Mark Mathias, Karen Kleine and Candice Savin opposed)

Vote on main motion as amended:

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education requests authorization from the Board of Finance to deposit into the Board of Education carryover account any unexpended funds up to \$250,000 from the FY 2017-18 operating budget.

RESULT: Passed Unanimously

VOTE: 7-0

2018-2019 Goals of the Board of Education

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the document entitled “Westport Board of Education 2018-19 Goals,” as amended at the June 4th meeting of the Board of Education.

MOTION: Michael Gordon

SECOND: Vik Muktavaram

RESULT: Passed Unanimously

VOTE: 7-0

DISCUSSION:

First Reading of the following Westport Board of Education policies and regulations

- Policy 6153, Instruction: Field Trips (Revision)
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- Policy 1314, Community Relations: Fund Raising (Deletion),
- Regulation 1324, Community Relations: Fund Raising (Revision)
- Regulation 3281, Business/Non-Instructional Operations: School Fund Raisers
- Regulation 6145.8, Instruction: Fund Raising (Revision)
- Policy 4118.3, Personnel – Certified: Responsibilities as Field Trip Chaperones (Deletion)
- Policy 5200, Students: Field Trips (Creation)
- Regulation 5145.5 Sexual Harassment (Revision)
- Policy 5131.911, Students: Bullying Prevention and Intervention (Revision)
- Policy 5131.912, Students: Safe School Climate Plan (Revision)

Revisions to the Teacher Evaluation Plan

Vik Muktavaram left the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

ADJOURNMENT: .Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:45 p.m; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)