

**WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
MEETING**

Board Members Present:

Mark Mathias Chair
Jeannie Smith Vice Chair
Elaine Whitney Secretary
Karen Kleine
Vik Muktavaram
Candice Savin
Neil Phillips

Administrators Present:

Colleen Palmer Superintendent of Schools
Anthony Buono Asst. Superintendent, Teaching & Learning
Tina Mannarino Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Personnel Services
Elio Longo Chief Financial Officer
John Bayers Director of Human Resources

PUBLIC CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m., Staples High School, Principal's Conference Room 1025C

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Discussion of Privileged Attorney-Client Communication Regarding a Claim by a Former Student

Mark Mathias moved to go into executive session at 6:35 p.m. to Discuss Privileged Attorney-Client Communication Regarding a Claim by a Former Student; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously. All Board members were present; Elaine Whitney participated by phone until 6:46 p.m.; Karen Kleine arrived at 6:37 p.m. Dr. Colleen Palmer, John Bayers, Anthony Buono, Tina Mannarino, Tom Mooney of Shipman & Goodwin, and Jessica Richmond-Smith of Shipman & Goodwin participated in the executive session at the invitation of the Board. The executive session adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:39 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria B

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (15 MINUTES)

MINUTES: February 11, 2019

Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of February 11, 2019; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Viewing of "This Year I Learned to..." Video from State of the Town Presentation

Updated Enrollment Projections and Redistricting Scenarios Options

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Update on Teaching and Learning Committee Work Related to Reopening of CMS Facility
No action was taken.

Proposed Graduation Requirements Commencing with Class of 2023
Discussion and action deferred by consensus to a future meeting.

FY 2019 - FY 2020 Proposed Budget of the Superintendent of Schools

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education request an appropriation from the Board of Finance and the Representative Town Meeting for an operating budget for the FY 2019 - FY 2020 school year of \$118,500,464, reflecting an increase of \$2,326,664, or 2.0%, as detailed in the materials discussed at the meeting of February 25, 2019.

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

At 10:50 p.m., Mark Mathias moved to continue with the discussion/action items FY 2019 - FY 2020 Capital Budget and Appointment of Board of Education Member to the Bedford Middle School Modular Project and the discussion item Update on BMS 6-8 Planning, as it was after 10:30 p.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

FY 2019 - FY 2020 Capital Budget
No action was taken; vote deferred by consensus to a future meeting.

Appointment of Board of Education Member to the Bedford Middle School Modular Project

The Board of Education appoints Karen Kleine to be a voting, ex officio member of the Bedford Middle School Modular Project Committee.

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

DISCUSSION

Update on BMS 6-8 Planning

UPDATES

January Health Insurance Report

Deferred by consensus to a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Mark Mathias moved to adjourn at 12:14 a.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary

(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)