

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Members Present:

Candice Savin	Chair
Karen Kleine	Vice Chair
Elaine Whitney	Secretary
Jeannie Smith	
Youn Su Chao	
Lee Goldstein	
Liz Heyer	

Administrators Present:

Thomas Scarice	Superintendent of Schools
Anthony Buono	Asst. Superintendent, Teaching and Learning
Michael Rizzo	Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Personnel Services
Elio Longo	Chief Financial Officer
John Bayers	Director of Human Resources and General Admin.

PUBLIC CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:01 p.m., Held Remotely Via Zoom Pursuant to Executive Order 7B and 9H

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES: January 19, 2021

Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of January 11, 2021; seconded by Karen Kleine and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Health Update

FY 2022 Proposed Budget of the Superintendent of Schools

DISCUSSION/ACTION

Capital Project Funding Request – Greens Farms School Cooling Tower

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education submits a request to the Board of Finance and the Representative Town Meeting for a capital appropriation in the amount of \$280,364 for a cooling tower replacement (bid #21-004-BOE) at Greens Farms Elementary School.

MOTION:	Candice Savin
SECOND:	Karen Kleine
RESULT:	Passed Unanimously
VOTE:	7-0

Capital Projects Soft Costs Request

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education submits a request to the Board of Finance and the Representative Town Meeting for a capital appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$1,512,025 for estimated soft costs for capital projects slated for 2020-21 and 2021-22.

MOTION: Candice Savin
SECOND: Jeannie Smith

Motion to amend the original motion to remove all softs costs for asphalt repair and replacement, ceiling tiles replacement, and sports flooring replacement.

MOTION: Lee Goldstein
SECOND: Liz Heyer
RESULT: Failed
VOTE: 2-5 (Youn Su Chao and Lee Goldstein in favor; Candice Savin, Karen Kleine, Elaine Whitney, Jeannie Smith and Liz Heyer opposed)

Motion to amend the original motion to remove all softs costs for asphalt repair and replacement.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney
SECOND: Karen Kleine
RESULT: Passed
VOTE: 5-2 (Karen Kleine, Elaine Whitney, Youn Su Chao, Lee Goldstein and Liz Heyer in favor; Candice Savin and Jeannie Smith opposed)

Vote on original motion as amended:

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education submits a request to the Board of Finance and the Representative Town Meeting for a capital appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$1,304,360 for estimated soft costs for capital projects slated for 2020-21 and 2021-22.

RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

At 10:39 p.m., Candice Savin moved to continue with the remaining agenda items, as it was past 10:30 p.m.; seconded by Karen Kleine and passed unanimously.

Discussion of Capital Projects in Rank Order of Priority
Deferred by consensus to a future meeting

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 a Boston Upright 132E piano, valued at \$9,020, by James and Suzanne Jesse to Greens Farms Elementary School.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Jeannie Smith moved to adjourn at 10:42 p.m.; seconded by Karen Kleine and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary, Board of Education
(minutes written by Lisa Marriott)