

WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Members Present:

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

Administrators Present:

Thomas Scarice
Anthony Buono
Michael Rizzo
Elio Longo
John Bayers

Superintendent of Schools
Asst. Superintendent, Teaching and Learning
Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Personnel Services
Chief Financial Officer
Director of Human Resources and General Admin.

PUBLIC CALL TO ORDER: 6:07 p.m., Held Remotely Via Zoom Pursuant to Executive Order 7B and 9H

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Matters Pertaining to Security

Candice Savin moved at 6:07 p.m. to enter into executive session to discuss Matters Pertaining to Security; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously. All Board members were present; Lee Goldstein arrived at 6:12 p.m. Thomas Scarice, Superintendent of Schools, Anthony Buono, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Michael Rizzo, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Elio Longo, Chief Financial Officer, John Bayers Director of Human Resources and General Administration, Foti Koskinas, Westport Chief of Police, and Samuel Arciola, Deputy Chief of Police, joined the executive session at the invitation of the Board. Mr. Scarice arrived at 6:15 p.m.

The executive session adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES: November 2, 2020

Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of November 2, 2020; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Health Update

NESDEC Enrollment Projections

Coleytown Middle School Reopening Update

FY 2020-2021 Superintendent's Strategic Entry Plan Update

Karen Kleine moved to change the Coronavirus Relief Fund Update to a discussion/action item from a discussion item; seconded by Elaine Whitney and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

Coronavirus Relief Fund Update

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent and/or the Chief Financial Officer to revise downward the planned drawdown from the Carryover Fund, consistent with appropriate transfers associated with the Westport Public Schools' newly approved revised application to the Coronavirus Relief Fund, said revisions to be up to the maximum grant amount of \$947,633.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Elaine Whitney
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

DISCUSSION

Policy Committee Update and First Reading of the Following Policies:

- 2260, "Policy Regarding Retention of Electronic Records and Information" (New),
- 4111.3, "Plan for Minority Staff Recruitment" (New)

DISCUSSION/ACTION

Chromebook Request

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the purchase 200 Chromebooks from Dell in the amount of \$48,904.

MOTION: Karen Kleine
SECOND: Youn Su Chao
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

CABE Delegate Assembly

Be it resolved, that the Westport Board of Education appoints Karen Kleine as the Board's official delegate at the CABE Delegate Assembly on November 19, 2020.

MOTION: Lee Goldstein
SECOND: Jeannie Smith
RESULT: Passed Unanimously
VOTE: 7-0

Second Reading of the Following Policies:

- 6159, "Individualized Education Instruction Program" (New),
- 5112, "Ages of Attendance" (Revision),
- 5141.21, "Administration of Medications" (Revision),
- 5145.15, "Disclosure of Directory Information" (Revision),
- 5145.41, "Non-Discrimination" (Revision and Renumbering to 5145.4),
- 4118.237/4218.237/5141.8, "Face Masks/Coverings" (New),
- 5144, "Physical Restraint" (Renumber Only to 5144.1),
- 5113.2-C19, "Attendance, Truancy, and Chronic Absenteeism" (Revision),
- 6172, "Alternative Education Programs" (New)

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves:

- *the creation of Policy 6159, "Individualized Education Instruction Program,"*
- *the amendment of Policy 5112, "Ages of Attendance,"*
- *the amendment of Policy 5141.21, "Administration of Medications,"*
- *the amendment of Policy 5145.15, "Disclosure of Directory Information,"*
- *the amendment of Policy 5145.41, "Non-Discrimination" and renumbering of said Policy to 5145.4,*
- *the creation of Policy 4118.237/4218.237/5141.8, "Face Masks/Coverings,"*
- *the renumbering of Policy 5144, "Physical Restraint" to 5144.1, and*
- *the amendment of Temporary Policy 5113.2-C19, "Attendance, Truancy, and Chronic Absenteeism."*

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

ADJOURNMENT: Youn Su Chao moved to adjourn at 9:29 p.m.; seconded by Liz Heyer and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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