

**WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION
EMERGENCY MEETING**

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Elaine Whitney Chair
Jeannie Smith Vice Chair
Michael Gordon Secretary
Mark Mathias
Brett Aronow
Karen Kleine
Paul Block

Administrators Present:

Elliott Landon Superintendent of Schools
Elio Longo Director of School Business Operations
Marge Cion Director of Human Resources

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:38 p.m. in Town Hall Room 307/309.

Nature of emergency:

The Board must consider information just received late on Friday before its budget hearing, and Monday is the only day before then that a quorum can be convened.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

Revised Budget Projections from Segal & Company for Health Insurance Fund

Draft Report from McGladrey LLP on Operational Review of the Westport Public Schools Medical Health Insurance Fund

2013-14 Special Appropriation Request for Health Insurance Fund

Be It Resolved, That Upon the Recommendation of the Health Insurance Fund Review Committee and the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education reduces its request to the Board of Finance and the RTM for a special appropriation for the Board of Education health insurance fund by \$681,384, for a revised total request of \$407,325, instead of the \$1,088,709 originally requested. Said action is being taken in order to reflect updated projections made by the Board of Education’s health insurance consultant for health insurance costs, which projections now include a projected cash surplus rather than cash deficit for 2013-14. Said updated projections are reflected in the McGladrey LLP draft report and the summary spreadsheet, which will be appended to the Minutes of the Meeting of March 17th.

MOTION: Elaine Whitney

SECOND: Brett Aronow

Motion to call the question

MOTION: Paul Block
SECOND: Karen Kleine
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 7-0

Meeting recessed at 10:02 p.m. and reconvened at 10:15 p.m.

Amendment to proposed resolution:

Be It Resolved, That , Upon the Recommendation of the Health Insurance Fund Review Committee and the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adjusts its special appropriation request to the Board of Finance and RTM for the health insurance fund by an amount to achieve a risk corridor of at least 5% of the projected 2014-15 medical claims, as of June 2, 2014.

MOTION: Brett Aronow
SECOND: Elaine Whitney

Brett Aronow withdrew her proposed amendment.

Elaine Whitney withdrew her proposed resolution.

Final Motion Voted on:

Be It Resolved, That, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education defers its 2013-14 healthcare appropriation request.

MOTION: Michael Gordon
SECOND: Elaine Whitney
RESULT: Unanimous
VOTE: 7-0

2014-15 Proposed Operating Budget: No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 10:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Gordon, Secretary
(Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)