



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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**Board of Education Committee
MAY 10, 2021 via Zoom**

I. Called to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:34p.m. by Ms. Rivera
Attendees:	Present: Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President; Mr. Matt Wilcox, Vice-President; Mayor Justin Elicker, Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary, Mr. Darnell Goldson, Dr. Tamiko Jackson-McArthur, Dr. Iline Tracey, Mr. Larry Conaway Absent: Ms. Lihame Arouna, Mr. Anthony Fiore.
II. Pledge of Allegiance	Mr. Conaway led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance
III. Public Participation	Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U Public Participation (4 Participants) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessica Domotor • Kirsten Hope-McFadden • Abraham Hernandez • Dr. Carlos Torre
IV ACTION ITEMS I. 082-21 Approval of Board Minutes April 26, 2021	On the Motion by Mr. Conaway, seconded by Dr. Joyner Mayor to approve the Minutes from April 26, 2021 meeting. Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Conaway, yes; Dr. Tamiko Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Goldson, No; Ms. Rivera, yes. (passed)
V. 083-21 II. Personnel Report Dr. Iline Tracey	On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Dr. Joyner to approve Personnel Report Mr. Conaway, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes. (Personnel Report passed) Discussion <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promotional Appointment - Marisol Rodriguez 2. Transfers - Monica Morale and Yolanda Jones-Generette Dr. Tracey congratulated Principal, Marisol Rodriguez on her appointment to Columbus Family Academy. Ms. Rodriguez expressed her delight to serve in the position.



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<p>Cont'd</p>	<p>Mr. Conaway congratulated retirees, Karen Bonnano, John Bell and Dawn Denuzzo for their service to the District. Dr. Jackson-McArthur reported that Columbus Family Academy's name will be changed for the new school year.</p>
<p>iii. 084-21 Amended Finance and Operations 2021-2022 Calendar</p>	<p>Meeting Changes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. July 5 to 6, 2021 2. September 8 to 6, 2021 <p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Mr. Conaway to amend F&O Calendar 2021-2022.</p> <p>Dr. Joyner, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Conaway, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes. (passed)</p>
<p>iv. 085-21 Amended Governance 2021-2022 Calendar <i>Dr. Jackson-McArthur</i></p>	<p>Dr. Jackson-McArthur indicated that there were calendar changes.</p> <p>On the Motion by Dr. Jackson-McArthur seconded by Dr. Joyner to amend Governance calendar</p> <p>Dr. Joyner, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Conaway, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (passed)</p>
<p>v. 086-21 Finance Operations Committee <i>Mr. Wilcox</i></p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Dr. Joyner to approve 3 Abstracts, 6 Agreements, 4 Contracts.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Tinley Investigation contract was tabled for further review by committee.</p> <p>Dr. Joyner, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Conaway, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (F&O Items passed)</p>



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<p>V Superintendent's Report <i>Dr. Tracey</i></p>	<p>Dr. Tracey reported that an enhance version of ESSER II grant fund (approximately) \$95M was allocated to the New Haven School District from the State. Parameters have been established and a budget plan must be submitted within ninety days to the State Department of Education for utilization. The plan will accommodate public participation which will be reviewed after six months. In addition, a workforce grant is also in process. Dr. Tracey also reported that the State has approved our ESSER II Grant application.</p>
<p>i. Smarter Balance Assessment <i>Dr. Michele Sherban</i></p>	<p>Smarter Balance Assessment (SBAC) and Next Generation Science Assessment for students are in process both remotely and in-person until June 4, 2021. Students in grades 3-8 (ELA) are participating in the SBAC or Alternate Assessment. Grades 5, 8 and 11 for science are participating in the Next Generation Science Assessment or the Connecticut Alternate Science Assessment. Alternate assessment students do not have a remote component and will not be tested.</p>
<p>ii. Increased Community Access Testing for Students <i>Dr. Paul Whyte</i></p>	<p>The Federal Government and the State Department of Education have selected New Haven and Waterbury Public Schools to receive free student testing weekly. This will only be conducted on school campuses with parent's permission and results will be available in 24 hours. All participating schools will be notified</p>
<p>iii. Unfinished Learning <i>Ivelise Velazquez</i></p>	<p>Unfinished Learning is established with core values and strategic plans geared to meet children at their level upon enrollment. Students will be assessed then accelerated in the learning process. A technological approach will be used identify how children learn in order to fulfill their needs to master the curriculum. Three areas were prioritized, Academic Learning, Equity and Excellence and Professional Learning. This will include formal training for administrators as well as teachers. An evaluation will be done on a quarterly basis for accountability.</p>
<p>iv. Summer School Planning Committee Update <i>Ivelise Velazquez, Keisha Hannans, Typhanie Jackson and Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin</i></p>	<p>Highlights: The summer of Fun Resource Fair kicked-off on May 8 with over 300 families in attendance. The programs is designed to enhance, enrich and re-engage students in a fun way back into school with engagement activities. The planning team have collaborated with community partners to provide robust expanded summer of fun experience for student and families. This project is hands-on based and will provide opportunities for students learning experience with new expanded themes offering. The summer school project have expanded from to K8 - K12. All District high schools will participate with new offerings in coding, urban agriculture etc. A pre-launched day is scheduled for June 2, with the Superintendents athletic fitness challenge. The Official opening day is July 1, 2021. A celebration rally is planned with community organizations. for a Summer of Fun Weekend Extravaganza with outdoor activities. The Summer of Fun project is intended to engage students and families so they feel they belong.</p>
<p>VI Students Report</p>	<p>There was no student report.</p>



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<p>VII President's Report <i>Ms. Rivera</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Rivera will meet with facilitators this week finalize dates for Board retreat. • Reminder: To schedule special Board meeting between June 6 – July 4th Members to email tentative dates • Executive session will be schedule at next meeting for Dr. Tracey's evaluation. • Discussion and update on return to in-person Board meeting. <p>Attorney Mooney informed meeting that the Freedom of Information Law illustrates that members of public agencies can meet electronically or otherwise. Also, the Board of Education has the right to determine the circumstance of remote participation excluding executive sessions.</p> <p>Suggested Action: Board discussion and vote to arrive at final decision.</p>
<p>VIII Head Start Report <i>Mr. Wilcox</i></p>	<p>Date of Next meeting May 20, 2021.</p> <p>Student Election: The City Clerk will make the declaration of new student Board member on May 14, 2021 at 4:00pm, City Hall, New Haven.</p>
<p>IX Governance Report <i>Dr. Jackson-McArthur</i></p>	<p>Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residency Policy was removed from agenda for amendment on residency policy • Collaborated with new COO, Mr. Lamb, on Air Filtration Policy • Curriculum Team (Dr. Joyner) working on several 6000 Series. • Food Policy - Life Threatening Allergies is awaited and is desirous for approval by September 2021. • Support Policy for families who opt-out is currently been worked on.
<p>X Facility Naming Report <i>Dr. Jackson-McArthur</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facility naming committee met and are in the process of renaming Columbus Family Academy according to policy. • Attorney Mooney stated that, legally, notice of committee meeting must be posted no less than 24 hours in advance of date. • Agenda cannot be change at the meeting as it is not a regular meeting • Facility naming meeting rescheduled to May 11, 2021.
<p>XI Teaching and Learning Report <i>Dr. Edward Joyner</i></p>	<p>Dr. Joyner – Meeting held with Dr. Tracey and Ms. Velasquez and discussed: Barrier to student learning - Children speaking their own language and dialect Suggestions:</p> <p>Create school system with matched commitment – educators and student Implement District-wide independent reading project based on students interests. Implement word knowledge across the District Implement daily writing project to generate excellence Implement Critical Thinking project across content areas</p>



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<p>X. Food Service Task Group <i>Mr. Conaway</i></p>	<p>Mr. Conaway stated that Food Threatening Allergies policy is in process. Presently updates are being done on the policy and will be completed prior to September 2021. Date of next meeting May 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm.</p>
<p>XI. Compensation Equity Committee</p>	<p>Mr. Conaway reported that committee is finalizing tasks. Matters will be place on the F&O agenda on Monday for discussion to arrive at recommendations and final decisions</p>
<p>XII. City Wide Committee School Building Report <i>Mr. Wilcox</i></p>	<p>Mr. Wilcox reported that the date of the next committee meeting would be May 13, 2020 at 4:30pm. Agenda is posted and additional materials will be posted on the website.</p>
<p>XVI. Adjournment 086-21</p>	<p>On the Motion by Dr. Joyner to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Conaway. It was voted by roll call to adjourn at 7:49pm.</p> <p>Dr. Joyner, yes; Dr. Jackson-McArthur, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Conaway, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes.</p>

“A video of this meeting is available on the NHPS website, NHPS.net, Public Meetings”

Respectfully Submitted
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Recording Secretary