



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Connecticut

Board of Education Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 23, 2020 via Zoom

Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Ms. Rivera.

Attendees: Present: Ms. Yesenia, President; Mr. Matt Wilcox, Vice-President; Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary; Mayor Justin Elicker, Dr. Iline Tracey, Dr. Paul Whyte, Dr. Tamiko Jackson-McArthur, Mr. Darnell Goldson, Mr. Larry Conaway

Absent: Mr. Fiore, Ms. Arouna

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Conaway led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

743-20
Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:
11/9/2020

A discussion ensued; Mr. Goldson recalled the need to approve the October 26 minutes and requested to see the revision at the next Regular Meeting if available.

On the Motion by Dr. Joyner, seconded by Mr. Wilcox to approve the November 9, 2020 Minutes as amended.

Dr. Joyner, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Dr. Jackson, Yes; Mr. Conaway, Yes; Mayor Elicker, Yes; Mr. Goldson, Yes, Ms. Rivera, Yes. Motion Passed.

Students' Report: No Report.

Superintendent's Report:
Dr. Iline Tracey

Dr. Tracey provides acknowledgements to staff for the extra effort input to aid families during this unprecedented time. They discussed the second round of interviews for the Chief Operating Officer position that is open for applications.

744-20
Personnel Report:

On the Motion by Dr. Joyner, seconded by Mr. Conaway to approve the Personnel Report.

Dr. Joyner, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Dr. Jackson, Yes; Mr. Conaway, Yes; Mayor Elicker, Yes; Mr. Goldson, Yes. Motion Passed.



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Presidents Report: No Report

Finance & Operations Report:

On the Motion by Mr. Conaway, seconded by Dr. Joyner, it was approved by roll call to approve the following FINANCE AND OPERATION-RELATED ITEMS:

Dr. Joyner, Yes; Dr. Jackson, Yes; Mr. Conaway, Yes; Mayor Elicker, Yes; Mr. Goldson, abstained; Mr. Wilcox, Yes¹. Motion Passed

¹Mr. Wilcox, Recused himself from item 745-20 Clifford Beers

745-20 Amendment #1 to Agreement # 95278546 with Clifford Beers to change funding account # from Head Start Program acct. #2532-5278-56694 to Head Start Program, acct. #2532-5279-56694-0443, with no change in funding amount.
¹Mr. Wilcox, Recused himself from approval of this item

746-20 Family Resource Center Grant in the amount of \$406,120.00 for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

747-20 Agreement with Great Schools Partnership to provide professional development to staff at High School in the Community for Project Based Learning and support thematic curricular and school-wide Magnet School program development, from November 9, 2020 to June 18, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$60,500.00.

748-20 Non-Financial Agreement for NHPS with Pacific Education Group d/b/a Courageous Conversations, to provide comprehensive equity literacy training and professional development for key stakeholders, administrators, teachers, parents and students to identify and rectify bias and inequity within district systems, policies and practices, at a cost of \$111,450.00 funded by William Casper Graustein Memorial Fund Equity Transformation Grant, and paid by fiscal sponsor, Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Program, from December 10, 2020 to December 31, 2021.

749-20 Agreement with Panorama Education, Inc. to provide stakeholder Climate Surveys aligned to the district's strategic goals for students, staff and families from December 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed 80,000.

750-20 Amendment #8 to Agreement #A20-0283 with Giordano Construction Company for the new Strong/Barack H. Obama Magnet School, to decrease funding amount of \$36,799.447.00 by \$-786,453.00 to \$36,012,994.00.



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- 751-20** Agreement with Artis Energy Intelligence, LLC. to provide Energy Monitoring Services to various New Haven Public Schools for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$94,860.00.

- 752-20** Agreement with Flow Tech, Inc. to provide Aircurity Annual Maintenance Service to MBA for the period of December 1, 2020 to November 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$6,750.00.

- 753-20** Agreement with Morris, Duffy, Alonso & Faley New York State Litigation to represent the Board in litigation pending in New York State court in which the Board of Education is a named defendant for the period of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

- 754-20** Purchase Order with PowerSchool Group, LLC to provide annual subscription for the Unified Talent Perform, a customized performance evaluation software system, from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$25,400.71.

- 755-20** Purchase Order with SHI International Corp. under State Contract 13PSX0280, to provide access to Microsoft Desktop Education with Enterprise Client Access Licenses (CAL) and Software Assurance from November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$84,768.70.

- 756-20** Change Order #1 to Contract #21623-2-2 with Filter Sales and Services for On Call Filter Services to upgrade all filters where possible district wide to Merv 13, to increase funding amount from \$50,000.00 by \$221,290.34 to \$271,290.34, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.

Governance Report: A discussion ensued regarding the review and second reading of the Policy for Race and Equity.

757-20 Policy for Race and Equity
On the Motion by Dr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Conaway to approve the Policy for Race and Equity.
Dr. Joyner, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Dr. Jackson, Yes; Mr. Conaway, Yes; Mayor Elicker, Yes; Mr. Goldson, abstained. Motion Passed.

Teaching & Learning Report:



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A discussion ensued regarding the students request for less screen time, and parents would like all students to have their cameras on.

Head Start Report: No Report .

Food Service Task Force Report: A discussion ensued regarding the previous Food Service Task Force Meeting, the next meeting date for this committee will be December 9, 2020; where the Series 3000 Policies will be reviewed.

Facilities Naming Report: The Naming Policy to have Selection of Board Members for naming.

Citywide School Building Stewardship Report: No Report.

Adjournment: On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Joyner, it was voted by roll call to adjourn at 6:57 p.m.

Mr. Goldson, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes; Dr. Jackson, Yes; Mr. Conaway, Yes; Dr. Joyner, Yes; Mr. Fiore, Yes; Mayor Elicker, Yes; Ms. Rivera, Yes. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Salina Manning

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Executive Administrative Assistant

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