



**NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

CONNECTICUT  
 Board of Education Committee  
 Special Board Meeting Minutes  
 August 29, 2022 via Zoom

I. Called to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by President, Yesenia Rivera
Board Members Present	Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President Mr. Matthew Wilcox, Vice President Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary Mayor Justin Elicker Dr. OrLando Yarborough III Mr. Darnell Goldson Dr. Abie Benitez
Absent	Dave Cruz-Bustamante, Student Board Member Ma'shai Roman, Student Board Member
Others Present	Dr. Iline Tracey – Superintendent, NHPS Attorney Elias Alexaides, Corporation Counsel
II. Pledge of Allegiance	Dr. Yarborough led in the Pledge of allegiance.
III Public Participation	Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U</a>  1. Leslie Blatteau                      2. Toni Thorpe 3. Daniel Figueroa                      4. Megan Fitzgerald 5. Raymond Jackson                      6. Erica Walden 7. Ashley Stockton                      8. Kimberly Edwards 8. Katrina Jones                      9. Barbara Vereen 10. Natalia Robinson                      11. Mark Landowne 12. Richard Cowes                      13. Jessica Nichols 14. Steven Winter                      15. Devin Avshalom-Smith 15. Catherine Jackson                      16. Kim Harris 17. Tyisha Walker-Myers                      18. Colotta Clarke 18. Carmen Rodriguez                      19. George Lindsay 19. George C. Lindsay                      20. Patricia Solomon 20. Addie Kimbrel                      21. Katora Bryant 21. Chanelle Goldson
IV. Action Items – Discussion and vote	Presenters, Giovanni Zinn, - gave overview of proposed building specifications and cost at Bassett Street location. Construction cost is between \$17 - \$22M. <b>This included test fit study. Jay Brotman along with Mr. Lamb gave presentation of the</b>



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<p>anticipated on each topic</p>	<p><b>proposed Orchard Street location design and its projected cost ((\$22.5 – \$22.6M)). Michelle Bonoro and Toni Walker spoke on the role of the Adult Education Center.</b></p>
<p><b>127-22</b></p>	<p><b>On the motion by Mr. Goldson to accept the BOE Administration’s recommendation to move the Adult Education Centre to 130 Orchard Street seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p>
<p>i.        Discussion and possible action: Adult Education, including possible relocation</p>	<p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>Mayor Elicker highlighted that we are all partners working together across communities as one entity.</p> <p>The differences, pros and cons of both proposed sites were debated at length. Also, the impact a contemporary adult education center would have on the New Haven community.</p>
<p><b>128-22</b></p>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to amend the prior motion to say, we accept the Administration’s recommendation to move Adult Education Center to 130 Orchard Street, seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p>
<p><b>129-22</b></p>	<p><b>On the motion by Mr. Goldson to amend his motion to accept the District’s recommendation and approve the use of 130 Orchard Street for the Adult Education Center, seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p>
<p><b>130-22</b></p>	<p><b>Mayor Elicker, No; Dr. Benitez, No; Dr. Yarborough, No; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Ms. Rivera, No; Mr. Goldson, yes. (failed)</b></p>
<p><b>131-22</b></p>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to table the motion to table the above motion until we get in writing, from Mr. Bill Oleary, that he has changed his position and is now willing to relocate to Bassett Street with us. ( Motion failed)</b></p>
<p></p>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mayor Elicker for the NHPS Administration to move forward with the relocation of Adult Education Center to Bassett Street location, seconded by Dr. Yarborough.</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Benitez, Yes; Dr. Yarborough, Yes. Wilcox, No; Dr. Joyner, No; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mr. Goldson, No.</b></p>



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ii. Discussion Interschool Assignments	Dr. Tracey spoke on the reason why late reassignment of teachers were done at the beginning of the school year. Student as well as teachers need were
	prioritized. It was suggested that the Superintendent meet with the Union President to arrive an equitable solution for staff, students and teachers benefit. This idea Dr. Tracey was exercised.
XIV. Adjournment  <b>132 - 22</b>	<p><b>On the Motion to adjourn by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Dr. Joyner, the meeting was adjourned by roll call at 10:36 pm.</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes.; Dr Benitez, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes. (passed)</b></p>

“A video of this meeting is available the NHPS website, NHPS.net, Public Meeting

*Respectfully Submitted*  
*Myrtis Mason*  
*Recording Secretary*