



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CONNECTICUT

Board of Education Committee Regular Meeting
May 23 2022 via Zoom

<p>I. Called to Order</p>	<p>The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by President, Yesenia Rivera.</p>										
<p>Attendees present</p>	<p>Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President Mr. Matthew Wilcox, Vice President Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary Dr. Iline Tracey, Superintendent – NHPS Mayor Justin Elicker Dr. OrLando Yarborough III Dr. Abie Benitez Mr. Darnell Goldson Ms. Ma'Shai Roman Mr. Anthony Fiore</p>										
<p>II. Pledge of Allegiance</p>	<p>Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Joyner</p>										
<p>III i. Public Participation</p>	<p>Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>Anita Singh Lemar</td> <td>Leslie Blatteau</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Anna Pickett</td> <td>Alberto Tabra</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heather O'Brien</td> <td>Cassandra Diaz</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kristen Rodriguez</td> <td>David Low</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jane Roth</td> <td>Viviana Ortiz</td> </tr> </table>	Anita Singh Lemar	Leslie Blatteau	Anna Pickett	Alberto Tabra	Heather O'Brien	Cassandra Diaz	Kristen Rodriguez	David Low	Jane Roth	Viviana Ortiz
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<p>IV i 071 - 22 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes May 9, 2022</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Mayor Elicker to approve the May 9, 2022 minutes.</p> <p>Discussion/Suggestion</p> <p>Board attendees should be recorded with their specific designated roles Student Board members should not be recorded as non-voting members</p> <p>Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mr. Fiore, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes. (Passed)</p>										



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<p>ii Personnel Report – Dr. Iline Tracey</p> <p>072-22</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the Action Items of the Superintendent’s Personnel’s Report seconded by Dr. Joyner.</p> <p>Discussion Dr. Tracey reported that the current year had seen the most retirements among the Principal group. As a result, recruitment replacements are been processed. These replacements saw transfers and promotions which was discussed.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Fiore, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes. (Passed)</p> <p>The following are promotional appointments to administrative positions</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>John Tarka</td> <td>Stephanie Skiba</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Katherine Melillo-Anibaldi</td> <td>Alice Coleman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Evala Schultz</td> <td>Karen Lorde</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Shanette Robinson</td> <td>Christopher Fry, Steve Siena,</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. Sinclair</td> <td>Melanie Thomas</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kimala Bisasor-Williams</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>They all expressed gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to serve the District.</p>	John Tarka	Stephanie Skiba	Katherine Melillo-Anibaldi	Alice Coleman	Evala Schultz	Karen Lorde	Shanette Robinson	Christopher Fry, Steve Siena,	Mr. Sinclair	Melanie Thomas	Kimala Bisasor-Williams	
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<p>iii. 073-22</p> <p>Proposed NHPS Recruitment and Retention Incentive Plan</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Dr. Joyner to approve the proposed NHPS Recruitment and Retention Incentive Plan for 2022 and 2023 with total amount of \$7.2M.</p> <p>Discussion/Comments</p> <p>Dr. Tracey expressed appreciation to all employees for their efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic. She stated that approval had been given by Connecticut Department of Education for a portion for the AARP ESSER Fund to be earmarked as an incentive to support the District Retention and Recruitment Plan.</p> <p>The incentive plan includes all current full-time and part-time employees who will be eligible to receive in the amount of \$1,000 and \$500 respectively. This is applicable to employees working as of May 1, 2022. This will be reflected in the June 30th 2022 paycheck. This incentive will be applicable to the year 2023 as well to all eligible employees working as of January 1, 2023 in the same amounts.</p> <p>Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Mr. Fiore, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes. (Passed)</p>												



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<p>iv. 074 - 22 Finance and Operations Committee – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Joyner, to approve 2 Abstracts, 11 Agreements and 2 Change Orders as were approved by the Finance Committee.</p> <p>Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes, Mr. Fiore, yes. (F & O Passed)</p>
<p>VI. 075-022 Teaching & Learning Report Dr. Edward Joyner</p>	<p>On the Motion by Dr. Joyner to amend the agenda to add 3 fields trip items seconded by Dr. Benitez.</p> <p>Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes, Mr. Fiore, yes.</p>
<p>076-22</p>	<p>On the Motion by Dr. Joyner to approve 3 Field Trips:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Sound School Trip for the Underwater Robotic Competition in Long Beach, CA 2. Hill House School - Educator’s Rising Health Program Trip to Atlanta 3. Edgewood School Nature Trip to Massachusetts <p>Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes, Mr. Fiore, yes</p> <p>Dr. Joyner congratulated the Wilbur Cross High School culinary team who was placed 4th nationally, in the Restaurant Management Competition at the 2022 National ProStart Invitational May 7 in Washington, DC. They represented Connecticut as state champions and places 1st and 2nd in the Regional competition.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kalila Abdul Raheem – created therapeutic room for students at Hill House to de-escalate and integrate students with behavior problems back into the classroom. • Mr. Pavano at Riverside created a virtual training lab to prepare students for the future • With COVID-19 issues, Teaching and Learning will work with stakeholders in the District to create instruction process to improve Teaching and Learning in all schools and classrooms. Focus will be on student behaviors, instructional methods, family & community to build strong relationships and tap into their interests.



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<p>Student Report Mr. Fiore</p>	<p>Mr. Fiore read letter from the City-Wide Student Council. Concerns raised: Long term solutions to solve problems Gender neutrality - bathroom Final meeting 2022 school year is May 26. Available mental health awareness resources/funds in the community School nurse in-availability at schools Suggested: Focus was on Restorative practices for students' mental health</p>
<p>VII. Superintendent's Report • Updates – Dr. Iline Tracey</p>	<p>Dr Tracey acknowledged Ms. Marlene Miller-Pratt, NHPS high school teacher who was honored at Southern University Department of Education graduation ceremony. She received the President's medal of distinction in honor of her work at Valley Street in New Haven. Ms. Pratt-Miller is a trailblazer with a greenspace group, the New Haven Botanical Garden of Healing which has impacted families of fallen youths to gun violence.</p> <p>Dr. Tracey also acknowledged several scholar athletes from Hill House High school who were awarded track scholarships to various colleges across our county and others who highlighted other scholastic aspects. She congratulated them on their team efforts.</p>
<p>i. School Updates: Adult Education, Ms. Michelle Bonora;</p> <p>ii. Edgewood Magnet, Dr. Nicholas Perrone;</p>	<p>Student Enrollment – Over 1300+, Ages 17 – 60+ Students are from over 80 countries 125+ Diplomas expected for 2022 Satellite locations in the community In-person/virtual day, evening and afternoon classes Funding is 60% state and 40% local and federal Programs free for New Haven residents Career path – pathway in high demand sectors work industries (manufacturing, customer service etc.) Satellite location launched at Amazon in North Haven, Partnership with Chabaso Bakery, Gateway Community College, etc. Graduation ceremony will be held at Southern on June 14th.</p> <p>Edgewood is a STEAM Magnet School that boasts and student are encourage to think critically and respect all cultures. I-Ready program is utilized with Fidelity – growth is observed, however learning loss is also observed in middle and high schools Literacy – growth observed between Fall 2021 – Spring 2022 (largest gain Gr 5 and 8) Introduced I-Ready literacy intervention</p>



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<p>iii Sound Mr. Marc Potocsky</p>	<p>STEAM with Fidelity Chronic absenteeism is high Implement Echos programs to encourage higher order thinking to develop and enrich students' skills and talents Discuss policies with students and staff</p> <p>Regional Vocational Acquatic Center Career and Technology School that Builds relationships with students 40th year of operation and located at City Point, New Haven Class rooms are in the water Enrollment is 335 student body Campus demographic aspiration to represent New Haven demographic Student services creates success for student Agriculture, Science and Technology (ASTE) program curriculum – Aqua Culture, Science Marine Technology Marine Construction Ocean Engineering Veterinary Science Bee Keeping, fishing, waterfront safety, scuba-diving etc. Student have opportunity to go to work after graduation 99% students graduate each year</p>
<p>VIII. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera</p>	<p>No Report</p>
<p>IX. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew</p>	<p>Focus Area 2 Review ongoing</p>
<p>X. Citywide School Building Committee Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Comprehensive report – compiled by Mr. Lamb re various District projects is posted on the website.</p>
<p>XI. Finance & Operations Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>Financial report posted Projected budget deficit is still forecasted for this year. Mitigation process in place to address deficit. Initiated the process for last year's accepted SRO report Reviewed policies for SRO to send to Governance Committee</p>
<p>XII. Governance Report – Dr. Abie Benitez</p>	<p>Date of next meeting June 6, 2023 Requested policy submissions be done with adequate time to work on updated policies</p>



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<p>XIII Food Service Task Group Report – Dr. OrLando Yarborough</p>	<p>Reviewed 300 meals shared during April break District food service team worked on solidifying 70+ sites for summer lunch Initiated area partners conversation to explore strategies for food sustainability and climate changes.</p>
<p>XV. Adjournment 077-22</p>	<p>On the Motion by to adjourn, by Mr. Goldson, seconded by Dr. Joyner, the meeting was adjourned by roll call at 8:27pm.</p> <p>Dr. Joyner, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes.</p>

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

Respectfully Submitted
Myrtis Mason
Recording Secretary