



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
New Haven, Connecticut

**FACILITIES NAMING COMMITTEE**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday October 22, 2020 at 5:00pm (Zoom)

**Present:** Ms. Yesenia Rivera, Chair, Dr. Edward Joyner

**Staff:** Attorney Michael Pinto, Mrs. Salina Manning

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I. **Call to Order:** Ms. Rivera called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

II. **Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2020:**

The committee reviewed the minutes for July 16, 2020 meeting;

Motion to approve minutes by Dr. Joyner, seconded by Ms. Rivera.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Rivera, yes; Dr. Joyner, Yes. The Motion has passed.

III. **Discussion and possible action on the Naming and Renaming Facilities Policy #7551:**

Ms. Rivera states there is a newer version of the Facilities Naming Policy, a discussion ensued in regards to the number of committee members anticipated for the sub-committee for naming facilities that will be a sub ad hoc committee. The meetings will be held quarterly or as recommendations are presented to the committee. Dr. Joyner recommends a set of standards be set for evaluation of possible candidates.

IV. **Presentation of Proposal to name the room at Hillhouse in honor of Jack Paulshen:**

Dr. Joyner amended this section of the agenda to include Lonnie Garris as well in memorial.

In regards to Jack Paulshen he will be memorialized for being an outstanding citizen and foster father to a successful former NHPS student. It is being requested the Media Center at Hillhouse High School be memorialized in remembrance of him. Lonnie Garris former teacher, coach and long standing principal of Hillhouse High School, went above and beyond for his students; and implemented the "We can't teach an empty seat" Attendance Policy. It is requested the Foyer of Hillhouse be memorialized in his memory.

In regards to funding of the plaques for these individuals. Mr. Pinto states he will discuss with Gilbane construction for a recommendation, since one is needed for Obama School as well. Since the dedication was postponed due to Covid. He will check possible available Capital funds if possible and get back to the committee.

Ms. Rivera makes a motion to present the all discussed at the upcoming Board of Education meeting October 26, 2020. Dr. Joyner seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Rivera, Yes; Dr. Joyner, Yes. Motion has passed.

Ms. Rivera requests the Agenda for the Board of Education Meeting to include:

- (a) Name the Media Center at Hillhouse High School for former teacher Jack Paulishen; and
- (b) Name the main foyer at Hillhouse High School in honor of former principal Lonnie Garris.

V. **Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Rivera, seconded by Dr. Joyner.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Rivera, Yes; Dr. Joyner, Yes. The Motion has passed.  
The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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