



**NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Connecticut  
Board of Education Committee  
July 26, 2021 via Zoom

<p><b>I. Called to Order</b></p>	<p>The meeting was called to order at 5:31p.m. by Ms. Rivera</p>
<p><b>Attendees:</b></p>	<p>Present: Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President; Mr. Matt Wilcox, Vice-President; Mayor Justin Elicker, Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary, Mr. Darnell Goldson, Dr. Iline Tracey, Mr. Larry Conaway.</p> <p>Absent: Mr. Fiore, Ms. Romans, Dr. Jackson-McArthur</p>
<p><b>II Pledge of Allegiance</b></p>	<p>Dr. Joyner led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>
<p><b>III. Public Participation</b></p>	<p>Channel Name: BOE TV You Tube Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEY46ioJn9U</a> Public Participation (3 Participants)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hyclis Williams</li> <li>• Teresa Johnson</li> <li>• Kirsten Hope-McFadden</li> </ul>
<p><b>IV. Action Items</b>  144-21  <b>i. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes</b></p>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021 and seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, abstain; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (passed)</b></p>
<p><b>ii. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Tracey</b>  <b>Personnel Report</b>  145-21</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interview process for administrators has begun.</li> <li>• Promotional appointments: Cara Campo, Breanna Evans and Jo-Ann Ferris.</li> <li>• Recognition and appreciation to retirees and resignees.</li> </ul> <p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the Personnel Report seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Mr. Goldson expressed concern why the Brennan Rogers promotional appointments were not processed similar to these promotions. He requested that the Board's attorney provide legal counsel on how to distinguish what items will be on the action item list for approval versus information list. Attorney Alexaides to provide information for next meeting.</p> <p><b>Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (passed)</b></p> <p>Cara Campo, Breanna Evans and Jo-Ann Ferris expressed their appreciation and gratitude for their promotion/appointment and the opportunity to serve the District and</p>



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	families.
<p><b>iii</b> <b>146-21</b> <b>Finance and Operations</b> <i>Mr. Wilcox</i></p> <p><b>147-21</b></p> <p><b>148-21</b></p>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Conaway to approve Agreement with Clifford W. Beers Guidance Clinic, Inc., to provide interventions, services and mental health support for Head Start student, families and staff, from August 25, 2021 to June 25, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, recused; Ms. Rivera, yes. (passed)</b></p> <p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve 1 Abstract, 11 Agreements and 4 Contracts seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (F &amp; O passed)</b></p> <p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to Approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Local 24; Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 11; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 90; and United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local 777, from July 1, 2021 to June 20, 2026 seconded by Dr. Joyner.</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Joyner, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (Passed)</b></p>
<p><b>V.</b></p> <p><b>i.</b> <b>Superintendent's Update -CFO Search</b> <i>Dr. Iline Tracey</i></p> <p><b>ii. Summer School – Ms. Gemma Lumpkin &amp; Ms. Lisa Pietrosimone</b></p> <p><b>iii. Fall Transportation Forecast – Mr. Carl</b></p>	<p>CFO search has been unsuccessful. Will resource new search firm to continue search.</p> <p>Superintendent's Field day will culminate the final week of the summer of fun activities on 7/30/2021. Indoor and outdoor activities included rocket making, journalism etc. Celebrity guest have enriched the students throughout the summer program (music, little scientist - poetry to spark our students curiosity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sixty six students attended the social justice program with a 90% attendance rate</li> <li>• All high schools offered summer program,</li> <li>• Graduation for high school students who attended summer school will be held at Metropolitan on Friday at 10:00am.</li> </ul> <p>Highlights: Mask wearing continues as well as social distancing. Buses will be disinfected; Bus cards will be mailed 1 week prior to school; Drivers will be</p>



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<p><b>Jackson</b></p> <p>iv.</p> <p>ARP ESSER      <i>Mrs. Keisha Redd-Hannan</i></p>	<p>assigned to specific routes; National bus driver shortage identified – working with DMV to shorten driver training process as well increased advertising campaign to recruit drivers.</p> <p>ARP ESSER – 3rd Installment Allocation increased by \$56,164.00 to \$80,017,233.00 Purpose of Grant - To respond to student’s social, emotional and academic needs due to COVID-19. LEAs must reserve 20% allocation to address learning loss through interventions Set aside \$16,003,447.00 Address disproportional impact of underrepresented subgroups ARP allotted funds for high schools - \$10, 860,000.00</p> <p><b>Learning acceleration investment ideas by schools to leverage funds:</b></p> <p>Outdoor classes, extended day academies, tutors, visiting artists at school, home libraries for families, professional development and instructional strategies, parent workshops, community partnerships, school investing in student counsel, wellness activities, purchasing of sensory items – (lap-tops, chrome books) part-time tech staffs, internet safe workshops, software development, computer replacement, etc.</p> <p>Funds will also be allocated to fix playgrounds to meet NAEYC school accreditation.</p>
<p><b>VI. Students’ Report</b></p>	<p>There was no student report - It was suggested that the Board appoints mentor for each student Board member to facilitate attendance and participation. Dr. Joyner expressed a delight to mentor the two student Board members.</p>
<p><b>VII. President’s Report</b> - <i>Ms. Rivera</i></p>	<p>Due to the absence of the attorneys, the executive session for the superintendent’s evaluation will continue at the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>VIII Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</b></p>	<p>Head Start and School Readiness program have been recruiting for new registration. New hires are been used to register and advertise program through different mediums. Fees for student tuition are free. A sliding scale provision is also available.</p> <p>Progress continues for the school based health clinic for the Mayo school. Funding is available through head start program to outfit pace for equipment needed to fulfill Head Start requirements.</p> <p>Confidence was expressed re the leadership/administration of the Head Start and School Readiness program.</p>
<p><b>IX Citywide School Bldg. Committee</b></p>	<p>There was no report, date of next meeting August 12, 2021 at 4:30pm</p>
<p><b>X. Finance &amp; Operations Report Mr. Matthew Wilcox</b></p>	<p>Scheduling items into fall calendar continues re report to be requested from the District and topics for perusal for Series 3000. Additional topics for discussion can be submitted to the committee and Dr. Tracey.</p>
<p><b>XI. Governance</b></p>	<p>There was no report.</p>



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<i>Dr. Jackson-McArthur</i>	
<b>XII Facility Naming Report Dr. Jackson-McArthur</b>	There was no report.
<b>XII. Teaching and Learning Report – Dr. Edward Joyner</b>	<p>Implement polices re reading and learning: Generate and create policies for student best interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement critical thinking policy re reading across content areas</li> <li>• Develop District policy on multiple levels re reading, writing and thinking</li> <li>• Implement Professional development administrative policies</li> <li>• Work with paraprofessionals, teachers and central office staff to challenge the knowledge required to generate policy</li> <li>• Model curriculum for black and Puerto Rican studies to be presented</li> <li>• Peruse vocabulary initiative to review and implement content-based academic vocabulary.</li> </ul>
<b>XII. Food Service Task Group Report Mr. Larry Conaway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specifics on food allergy policy and implementation for fall 2021 is been reviewed for classroom</li> <li>• Concluding the Summer meal program and implementing the fall program. Recruit staff for the fall</li> <li>• The 3000 policy is been updated.</li> </ul>
	<p>Mr. Conaway reported that the committee met regarding salary increase for part-time para-professionals, however there was no agreement for an increase. Finance and Operations awaits the financial analysis completed by Mr. Penn for the previous financial year re the para-professional. Projected financial impact data was requested from Dr. Tracey for the next meeting. Finance and Operation’s committee will add this as a discussion item for the next meeting.</p>
<b>III 147-21 Adjournment</b>	<p><b>On the Motion by Mr. Goldson to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Wilcox, it was voted by roll call to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm.</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Mr. Conaway yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Ms. Rivera, yes. (Passed).</b></p>

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

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