

Board of Education  
August 27, 2020 – Special Meeting  
ZOOM Meeting

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Mary Tomasi, Vice Chair Chris McGlynn at 4:05 pm, Amy Domeika, Jessica Morozowich, Joanne Rose, Suesen Hickey at 4:08 pm.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mitchell Koziol.

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:** Superintendent Jeffrey Burt, Principal Colchester Elementary School Principal Judy O'Meara, Jack Jackter Intermediate School Principal Elise Butson, Director of Teaching and Learning Charles Hewes, Director of Pupil Services and Special Education Kathleen Perry, Director of Education Operations Mario Hurtado, Director of Human Resources Shannon Ramsby, Darren Smith Director of Digital Learning and Innovation, Chief Financial Officer Maggie Cosgrove.

## **1. MEETING OPENING**

### **1.1. Call to Order**

Chair Mary Tomasi called this Special Meeting to order at 4:03 pm with a roll call for attendance. A quorum was present.

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments were received.

C. McGlynn joined the meeting at this point in the agenda.

## **3. PRIORITY DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM**

### **3.1. Budget Transfer Over \$5,000: Special Education**

Costs for Special Education Out of District placements must be segregated between tuition and other direct services in order to maximize Medicaid reimbursements. The Budget transfer reflects the total expended for other direct services for the fiscal year.

**Motion by:** J. Rose

to approve the request for a budget transfer in the amount of \$150,905 to segregate tuition from other direct services.

**Second by:** J. Morozowich.

**Vote:** Unanimous to approve by those present.

### **3.2. Budget Transfer Over \$5,000: Capital Outlay**

The budget transfer in the amount of \$41,622 from unexpended fiscal year Capital outlay to BOE Capital Reserve is for buildings and grounds maintenance.

S. Hickey joined the meeting at this point in the agenda.

**Motion by:** C. McGlynn

to approve the request for a budget transfer in the amount of \$41,622 from unexpended fiscal year Capital Outlay to BOE Capital Reserve.

**Second by:** A. Domeika.

**Vote:** Abstaining: S. Hickey – (absent during discussion).

In favor: All others present.

3.3. Tuition for Students of Staff to attend Colchester Public Schools

Superintendent Burt presented a new policy for students of Colchester Public School (CPS) Staff to attend as tuition students. This benefit will ease childcare and be an incentive to stay with CPS. Minor revisions were discussed.

**Motion by:** J. Morozowich  
to adopt the revised Policy 3240P – Tuition Fees.

**Second by:** S. Hickey.

**Vote:** Unanimous to approve.

3.4. Addendum to LEARN Contract for 2020-2021

This Addendum addresses possible changes in the LEARN contract for transportation should the District shift the educational model to at-home learning.

**Motion by:** A Domeika  
to approve the Addendum to LEARN Contract for 2020-2021.

**Second by:** C. McGlynn.

**Vote:** Unanimous to approve.

3.5. Discussion on Non-Union Hourly employees on “Remote Learning Days”

This item was tabled.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ISSUES RAISED**

No comments were received.

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION: MOU FOR LOCAL #1827 TEACHERS**

**Motion by:** S. Hickey

to go into Executive Session to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding for Local #1827 – Teachers and to invite Superintendent Burt into the session.

**Second by:** J. Morozowich.

**Vote:** Unanimous to approve. Time: 4:36 pm

Chair Tomasi brought the Board out of Executive Session at 5:07 pm.

Decision below.

**6. POSSIBLE ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM: MOU FOR LOCAL #1827 TEACHERS**

**Motion by:** S. Hickey

to approve the memorandum of Understanding for #1827 Teachers Union with the exception of #12 to be reviewed by the Superintendent and the Union to come to a determination.

**Second by:** J. Rose.

**Vote:** Unanimous to approve.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Tomasi adjourned this Special Meeting at 5:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade  
Recording Secretary