

Board of Education  
April 1, 2020 – Special Meeting  
Remote Audio – Recording on file

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Mary Tomasi, Vice Chair Chris McGlynn, Amy Domeika, Suesen Hickey, Jessica Morozowich

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joanne Rose, Mitch Koziol; Student Members Nick Janus and Shannon Hickey.

**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, Chief Financial Officer Maggie Cosgrove.

## **1. MEETING OPENING**

- 1.1 Chair Tomasi called this Special Meeting by remote audio to order at 4:00 pm.  
Chair Tomasi called a roll call for attendance.

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 2.1 Citizens were invited to address the Board by emailing [boardquestions@colchesterct.org](mailto:boardquestions@colchesterct.org) or in written form to Colchester Board of Education, 127 Norwich Avenue, Suite 202, Colchester, Connecticut 06415. Public questions entered at least one hour prior to the start of the meeting were addressed if in regard to an agenda item. Other questions were answered in writing and added to the minutes of the meeting.  
No comments were received.

## **3. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT**

- 3.1 Communications  
A letter was received from K. Snow asking about recovering classroom time for the students.

## **4. PRIORITY DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- 4.1 MOAs with Bargaining Units  
Draft Memorandums of Understanding/Agreement have been established with the following bargaining units in a response to the district closure:

- CUSTODIANS FEDERATION LOCAL 1303-77
- LOCAL #818 - CAFETERIA MANAGERS
- LOCAL #424-54 - NURSES (TBD)
- LOCAL #1303-450 - OFFICE PROFESSIONALS
- LOCAL #3279 - PARAPROFESSIONALS, CAFETERIA WORKERS & CDAs
- COLCHESTER FEDERATION OF TEACHER

**Motion by:** J. Morozowich

to authorize the Board Chair to sign finalized copies of the Memorandums of Agreement on work during the district closure as a result of the COVID19 pandemic with the following bargaining units: Custodians; Cafeteria Managers; Office Professionals, Local #3279, and Teachers – excluding the Nurses as the MOA was just received.

**Second by:** A. Domeika.

**Vote:** Roll Call Vote: C. McGlynn – yes  
A. Domeika – yes  
J. Morozowich – yes  
S. Hickey – yes  
M. Tomasi – yes

Unanimous to approve by those present.

4.2 Non-Union, Part time and Other Staff Discussion

The superintendent discussed the status of non-union, part-time and other staff members in light of the new federal relief legislation and the Governor's Executive Order #7R. No action is recommended at this time.

4.3 Donation of Eye Goggles from WJJMS to Healthcare Providers

There is a shortage of eye goggles for healthcare providers; WJJMS has several unopened boxes for donation.

**Motion by:** C. McGlynn

to approve the donation of N95 masks from Bacon Academy and WJJMS to Saint Francis Hospital's COVID ICU department.

**Second by:** A. Domeika.

**Vote:** Roll Call Vote: C. McGlynn – yes  
A. Domeika – yes  
J. Morozowich – yes  
S. Hickey – yes  
M. Tomasi – yes

Unanimous to approve by those present.

4.4. Donation of N95 Masks to Saint Francis

Bacon Academy and WJJMS had unopened boxes of N95 masks which were donated to Saint Francis Hospital's COVID ICU department.

**Motion by:** J. Morozowich

to approve the donation of N95 masks from Bacon Academy and WJJMS to Saint Francis Hospital's COVID ICU department.

**Second by:** S. Hickey.

**Vote:** Roll Call Vote: C. McGlynn – yes  
A. Domeika – yes  
J. Morozowich – yes.  
S. Hickey – yes  
M. Tomasi – yes

Unanimous to approve by those present.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW ISSUES RAISED OR SUBJECTS DEVELOPED**

No comments received.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Tomasi adjourned this Special Meeting at 4:26 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade  
Recording Secretary