

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Mary Tomasi, Vice Chair Chris McGlynn, Amy Domeika, Suesen Hickey, Jessica Morozowich, Joanne Rose, 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, Chief Financial Officer Maggie Cosgrove.

1. MEETING OPENING

1.1 Call to Order

Chair Tomasi called this remote Zoom Regular Meeting to order at 4:00 pm. with a roll call for attendance. All present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

- 2.1 Citizens are invited to address the Board by emailing 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 will be addressed if in regard to an agenda item. Other questions will be 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 regarding the status of Spring break. At this time, it is likely to remain in place.

3.2 Board Appreciation Discussion

Board members were grateful for the show of appreciation at the March 10, 2020 Regular Board of Education meeting and would like to acknowledge the many students and others involved. It was decided to make a video to say thank you.

3.3 Budget 2020-21 Timeline Update

The budget is being reviewed in detail and the Board has 30 days to move forward. A video meeting is planned for April 15, 2020, at 7:00 pm with the Board of Finance to present the budget.

3.4 Budget Freeze Update

The freeze is in place and each request is being reviewed by Superintendent Burt. There will be more update in May on the impact of the closure on the current budget.

3.5 Transportation Contract Update

Superintendent Burt provided the Board with an update for M&J and LEARN contracts in light of the Governor's Executive Order. The district will follow the order and renegotiate both contracts for the remainder of the year.

4. POLICIES/REGULATIONS FOR FIRST READING

4.1 6172.6P and 6172.6R Virtual Online Courses

The above Policy and Regulation are being sent back to the Policy Committee for further

To authorize the Board Chair to sign finalized copy of the Memorandum of Agreement with Nurses on work during the district closure as a result of the COVID19 pandemic review.

5. PRIORITY DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

5.1 LEARN Contract Renewal

As a result of a closure the Superintendent delayed the issuing of an RFP for special education transportation for one year and has negotiated a one-year extension with the district's current vendor, LEARN, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion by: J. Morozowich
to approve the 2020-2021 contract with LEARN.

Second by: J. Rose.

Vote: Roll call vote was unanimous to approve.

5.2 Bacon Academy Graduation Date

The recommendation is that the Bacon Academy graduation date be set for Monday, June 15, 2020.

Motion by: J. Morozowich
to set the Bacon Academy graduation date for Monday, June 15, 2020.

Second by: C. McGlynn.

Vote: Roll call vote was unanimous to approve.

5.3 BOE Budget 2020-2021 Discussion

As a result of the Governor's changes to the budget process and public meetings, the Board of Education may open the 2020-2021 budget for possible adjustment.

5.4 Approve MOA Working Agreements

A finalized copy of the Memorandum of Agreement with Nurses on work during the district closure as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic must be signed by the Board Chair.
Item tabled.

6. GRANTS/OTHER FINANCIALS

6.1 Budget Transfer over \$5,000

Unexpended instructional supply budget lines are available to purchase additional Chromebooks based on additional need among students. A document outlining the details of this budget transfer is attached to these minutes.

Motion by: A. Domeika
to approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$18,000 for the purchase of additional Chromebooks.

Second by: S. Hickey.

Vote: Roll call vote unanimous to approve.

6.2 Donation from Bacon Academy Parent for Baseball Field

This donation is part of a matching gift program via Benevity for the Voya company.

Motion by: A. Domeika

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to accept the donation of \$2795 from Bacon Academy parent Stanley Harasimowitz for the purpose of improving the Bacon Academy baseball field.

Second by: C. McGlynn.

Vote: Roll call vote unanimous to approve.

7. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION/ASSESSMENT

None at this time.

8. CONTINUED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

8.1 WJMS Building Project Update

No discussion at this time.

9. POLICIES/REGULATIONS FOR SECOND READING (NONE)

10. CONSENT AGENDA

10.1 Approval of March 10, 2020 Minutes

10.2 Approval of March 10, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes

10.3 Approval of April 1, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes

10.4 Bacon Academy English Department Request for Disposal of Obsolete Materials

Motion by: J. Rose

to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Domeika amended the motion to remove Item 10.2

Second by: J. Morozowich to the amended motion.

Vote: Roll call vote unanimous to approve.

11. REPORTS FROM BOARD COMMITTEES

11.1 Policy

11.2 Budget

11.3 Personnel

11.4 Ad-Hoc Curriculum

11.5 Ad-Hoc Curriculum

No reports at this time.

12. REPORTS FROM BOARD LIAISONS

No reports at this time.

13. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS and INFORMATION ITEMS

13.1 Next Meetings

Meeting	Meeting Time	Date	Location
Policy Committee	4:00PM	April 27, 2020	Virtual
Budget Committee	9:00AM	May 7, 2020	Virtual
Board of Education	4:00PM	May 12, 2020	Virtual

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13.2 Enrollment Report for April 2020 BOE Meeting – 2294 Students for March 2020

13.3 Regulations (None at this time)

13.4 Approved Committee Meeting Minutes

13.5 Monthly Budget Reports

13.6 Health Insurance Reserve Analysis

13.7 Budget Transfer Under \$5,000 (None at this time)

13.8 Bacon Academy Dual Enrollment Opportunities

Information items only, no action.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS: NON-SUBSTANTIVE POLICY CHANGES (NONE)

15. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tomasi adjourned this meeting at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Slade

Recording Secretary