

Monday, April 29, 2019

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION, held April 29, 2019, at Bridgeport City Hall, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Present were members Chair John Weldon and LaMar Kennedy. Board members Maria Pereira and Joseph Lombard were present. Board member Joseph Sokolovic arrived subsequently as noted.

The sole agenda item was an interview for the candidate of the district's chief financial officer.

Victor Catano entered the room. In response to an inquiry, Mr. Catano did not require the interview to take place in public session.

Mr. Weldon moved *"to go into executive session to interview Victor Catano for the position of chief financial officer."* The motion was seconded by Mr. Kennedy.

Ms. Pereira said the position was the second highest in the district and it is a critical position due to the financial crisis. She said it was important for it to be held in public. She noted there were no members of the public present anyway.

Mr. Weldon said he did not support holding in the meeting in public session.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Weldon said those invited to participate were the committee members, Mr. Catano and Frank Chester, chief talent officer.

The executive session began at 6:05 p.m.

The meeting was resumed in public session at 6:12 p.m..

Mr. Sokolovic was now present.

Mr. Weldon said there were parties who declined to leave the room for the executive session.

Mr. Weldon moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Kennedy and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod

*Approved by the committee on May 15, 2019*