

Friday, June 12, 2020

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL
COMMITTEE OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF
EDUCATION, held June 12, 2020, by video and audio
conference, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m. Present were members Chair John Weldon, Hernan Illingworth and Joseph Sokolovic. Board member Albert Benejan was present.

Denise Altro-Dixon, executive director of human resources, was present.

Mr. Weldon moved to approve the committee's minutes of May 27, 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and approved by a 2-0 vote. Voting in favor were members Sokolovic and Weldon. Mr. Illingworth abstained.

The next agenda item was interviews for the position of principal of Skane School.

Mr. Weldon moved "*to go into executive session.*" The motion was seconded by Mr. Illingworth.

Mr. Sokolovic said there had been nine consecutive interviews held in open session. He said it behooved the board that when it was asking for money or personnel to do things in the open so the public can see the candidates. He said he believed the public had the right to see the interviews.

The motion was approved by a 2-1 vote. Voting in favor were members Sokolovic and Weldon. Mr. Sokolovic was opposed.

In response to an inquiry, Ms. Corcoran and Ms. Garafalo did not request the meeting be held in public session.

The executive session began at 4:08 p.m.

The committee reconvened in public session at 4:45 p.m.

Mr. Weldon moved that *“the recommendation discussed in executive session by the committee members be transmitted to the superintendent by the executive director of human resources.”* The motion was seconded by Mr. Illingworth. The motion was approved by a 2-0 vote.

Voting in favor were members Weldon and Illingworth. Mr. Sokolovic abstained.

Mr. Sokolovic moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Illingworth and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod

Approved by the committee on June 17, 2020