Monday, June 21, 2021

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION, held June 21, 2021, by video conference call, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. Present were members Chair John Weldon, Vice Chair Bobbi Brown, Albert Benejan, Sybil Allen, and Joseph Sokolovic.

Superintendent Michael J. Testani was present.

The first item, which qualified for executive session, was discussion and possible action on *GB vs. Bridgeport Board of Education*. Mr. Weldon said GB was a minor.

Ms. Brown moved "to go into executive session for discussion and possible action on GB vs. Bridgeport Board of Education." The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and unanimously approved.

Invited to participate were Supt. Testani, board members, Atty. John Mitola from the city attorney's office, and Ryan Driscoll of Berchem & Moses.

The executive session began at 5:35 p.m.

The board reconvened in public session at 5:45 p.m.

Mr. Benejan moved "to enter into a settlement in accordance with the discussion with counsel held in executive session to settle the matter of GB vs. Bridgeport Board of Education." The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and unanimously approved.

The next agenda item was discussion and possible action on magnet school tuition agreements. Invited to participate were members of the board, the superintendent, and Atty. Mitola. Ms. Allen moved "to go into executive session for this purpose." The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and unanimously approved.

The executive session began at 5:47 p.m.

The board reconvened in public session at 6:13 p.m.

Mr. Weldon said the magnet school tuition agreements with municipalities have all been resolved with the exception of Shelton.

Ms. Brown moved "to approve the magnet school tuition agreement with the City of Shelton in accordance with the terms discussed in executive session." The motion was seconded by Mr. Benejan and approved by a 4-0 vote.

Voting in favor were members Allen, Weldon, Benejan, and Brown. Mr. Sokolovic abstained.

Ms. Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benejan and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod

Approved by the board on August 23, 2021