Tuesday, December 19, 2017

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION, held December 19, 2017, at Bridgeport Regional Aquaculture Science & Technology Education Center, 60 St. Stephens Road, Bridgeport, Connecticut

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

Present were Chair John Weldon, Vice President Hernan Illingworth, Secretary Jessica Martinez, Maria Pereira, Sybil Allen, Chris Taylor, Ben Walker and Joseph Sokolovic. Dennis Bradley arrived subsequently as noted.

Supt. Dr. Aresta Johnson was present.

In response to an inquiry, Carmen McPherson said she did not wish to exercise the right under Connecticut state statute to have the meeting occur in public session.

Mr. Weldon said those invited to participated in the executive session were Dr. Victor Black, Michael Testani, Carmen McPherson, board members, Dr. Johnson, Atty. Gary Brochu, Frank Chester,

Ms. Martinez moved the board meet in executive session to hear the matter of Carmen McPherson. Invited to participate were Michael Testani and Victor Black of BCAS; Carmen McPherson; the board members; Atty. John Gesmonde; Atty. Gary Brochu; Frank Chester and Supt. Johnson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ilingworth and unanimously approved.

The executive session began at 5:48 p.m.

The board reconvened in public session at 6:36 p.m. Mr. Bradley was now present

Ms. Pereira moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was

seconded by Mr. Illingworth and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod

Approved by the board on January 8, 2018