

Thursday, June 18, 2020

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION, held June 18, 2020, by video conference, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. Present were members Chair Albert Benejan, and committee members Joseph Sokolovic, and Bobbi Brown.

Ms. Brown moved to approved the minutes of May 28, 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and approved by a 2-0 vote. Voting in favor were members Benejan and Brown. Mr. Sokolovic abstained.

Herminio Planas, executive director of elementary education, said he could not report on pass/fail and retention because grades just closed on Friday. He said the data would be available at the next meeting. He said preliminary information on graduates was sent to the committee. Mr. Benejan said he was glad to see there were 175 Bassick graduates.

The next agenda item was funding for supplies and materials. Mr. Planas said each school is given the amount of about \$20 for each student they have. He said the committee was provided with a document with projections for next year. He said the money is prioritized for things like paper, office supplies, and technology supplies; with four dollars out of the \$20 used for art and music supplies.

In response to a question, Mr. Planas said he did not know what happens to money that is not spent in this year. Mr.

Sokolovic and Mr. Planas said they would be surprised if principals left any money on the table. Mr. Planas said he would report on the expenditures.

The next agenda item was on the parent convention funding. Mr. Planas said Mr. Testani approved this year's allocation being rolled over into next year. Mr. Benejan said he was in support of using funds to train PAC and PTSO leaders.

Mr. Planas said the committee was provided with the six questions in the parent survey and how parents answered.

Mr. Sokolovic moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Brown and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod

Approved by the committee on October 1, 2020