Windsor Central Supervisory Union Windsor Central Unified Union School District Board of Directors Monthly Meeting April 3, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

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(no Zoom recording- unintentional human error)

Board Members Present:

Barnard: Pomfret:

Bryce Sammel (virtual)

Bob Crean (virtual)

Carin Park (virtual) Lydia Locke (virtual) Bridgewater. Reading:

Lara Bowers Anna Sessa (virtual)

Ryan Townsend Adam Ameele (virtual) Killington: Woodstock:

Katie Reed Keri Bristow
Anne Karl Ben Ford

Plymouth: John Williams

Elliot Rubin Marianne Ralph

Josh Linton Matt Stout

Pittsfield:

Ray Rice (virtual)

Superintendent: Sherry Sousa

Director of Student Support Services: Shayna Kalnitsky Director of Instructional Technology: Raphael Adamek

Director of Finance and Operations: Jim Fenn

District Curriculum Coordinator: Jennifer Stainton

District Buildings & Grounds Manager: Joe Rigoli

Director of Human Resources: Linda Loprete (virtual)

Principals/ Administration: Garon Smail, Cody TanCreti, John Hansen (virtual), Mary Guggenberger (virtual), Maggie

Mills (virtual), Melissa Zoerheide (virtual), Aaron Cinquemani (virtual)

Student Representatives: Owen Courcey (virtual), Aiden Keough-Vella (virtual)

Recording Secretary: Rayna Bishop

- 1. Keri Bristow called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2. Amendments to the Agenda: Keri noted that the policy slated for adoption, School Crisis Prevention & Response, was edited at the Policy Committee meeting and warranted a third reading rather than adoption. Motion to approve the agenda as amended: Ben Ford. Seconded: Anna Sessa. All in favor.
- 3. Public Comment: None. New board member Anne Karl was introduced, and the board went around with introductions to acquaint everyone.
- 4. Reports: The full written reports can be found in the <u>board book</u>. Reports were provided by the Superintendent; Director of Instructional Technology; Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment; Director of Student Support Services; and the student representatives. WES Principal Maggie Mills delivered a report on the steps that have been taken following the concerns raised about student behavior.
- 5. Time Scheduled Discussion:

- a. Emergency Operations Coordinator- Sherry Sousa introduced Mark Donka to fill the position, and highlighted his experience.
- b. Annual Report presentation: Sherry Sousa delivered the Annual Report, and answered board questions. The report can be found on the WCSU website here. Sherry indicated that the report would also be sent out to the communities via listservs.
- c. Approve New Hire: Interim Director of Student Support Services Shayna Kalnitsky is being put forward to the board to be formally offered the position. Motion to approve the hiring of Shayna Kalnitsky: Adam Ameele. Seconded: Ben Ford. All in favor.
- d. Accept Resignations: Motion to accept with regret the resignations of Janet Cathey, Barnard Academy Art Educator, and Brooke Baker, Special Educator: Matt Stout. Seconded: Anna Sessa. All in favor.

6. Committees:

- a. Finance- Ben Ford discussed fund balances, and no surplus is expected to move into next year. The committee evaluated the report from the elementary schools on educator needs, and no action is being taken at this time.
- b. Policy- Elliot Ruben discussed committee work. He shared the revisions to the Grading policy with the board for a first reading. Motion to bring it back for a second reading: Anna Sessa. Seconded: Ben Ford. All in favor. Elliot then discussed the changes since the last meeting to the School Crisis Prevention & Response policy. One further small change was discussed to clarify a definition, which Elliot will make. Motion to adopt at the next meeting with the edit as indicated: Bob Crean. Seconded: Anna Sessa. All in favor.
- c. Buildings & Grounds- Matt Stout discussed happenings from the last meeting. The committee would like to rotate meetings between buildings, with the May meeting at TPVS. They will start with a building tour at 6:00 p.m. for those that can attend in person. The remainder of the meeting will start at 6:30 with a Zoom option for those that wish to attend remotely.
- d. Negotiations- no updates to report at this time.
- e. MSHS Build- Ben Ford mentioned that the New Build Committee will meet after April vacation.

Carin Park discussed the difficulties of holding the committee meetings at the same time, as they cannot visit another committee they may want to see. Also, the committee meetings seem to not be recorded, which they are subject to if a remote option is offered. Carin feels the board should consider staggering meeting times. Ben Ford asked about possibly having separate Zoom links for each meeting, rather than break out rooms. The committees will try this method for their next meeting. Raphael Adamek to make sure the Zoom licenses are distributed appropriately.

- 7. Consent Agenda- Motion to approve the consent agenda. Moved: Lara Bowers. Seconded: Anna Sessa. All in favor.
- 8. Public comment was heard.
- 9. Executive session: Motion to enter executive session at 8:23 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter under 1 V.S.A. §313(4). Moved: Anna Sessa, seconded: Lara Bowers. All in favor. No action taken.
- 10. Executive Session: Motion to enter executive session at 9:05 p.m. to discuss a student matter under 1 V.S.A. §313(6). Moved: Anna Sessa, seconded: Katie Reed. All in favor. No action taken.
- 11. Reflection: None.
- 12. Motion to adjourn at 9:22 p.m. Moved: Lara Bowers. Seconded: Carin Park. All in favor.