

F.O.I. Compliance – subject to BOE approval

ESSEX BOARD of EDUCATION

Date: August 20, 2020

Special Meeting – REMOTE MEETING held

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| Attendance: | | ✓ | <u>Administration:</u> | <u>Others:</u> |
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| (✓ = attended) | Lon Seidman | | Brian White | ✓ |
| | DG Fitton | | Kristina Martineau | ✓ |
| | Mark Watson (connected 6:01) | ✓ | Jennifer Tousignant | ✓ |
| | Cassandra Sweet | ✓ | Sarah Smalley | ✓ |
| | Nancy Johnston | ✓ | Kelly Sterner | ✓ |
| | Loretta McCluskey | ✓ | | |

Call To Order: approx. 6:00 p.m.

Items/Discussion:

Update on Status of School Reopening

Superintendent White stated that the purpose of tonight’s meeting will be to provide an update to the Essex BOE and community about reopening preparations specifically at Essex Elementary.

Superintendent White reminded everyone about past detailed presentations to the Joint BOE and all our communities at Joint BOE meetings held during the last two weeks, videos of which along with copies of the presentation are available on the district website. Additionally, other information has also been posted on the website along with a multipage FAQ document based on questions received from the public.

Principal Tousignant shared updates regarding all of the efforts to get Essex Elementary ready for reopening including all of the important work led by Facilities Manager Tom Fitzgerald and plans for Professional Development for staff.

Superintendent White, Assistant Superintendent Martineau, Director of Pupil Services Sarah Smalley, and Principal Tousignant answered questions from the Board.

Possible Action Items:

Discussion and Possible VOTE(s) pertaining to COVID-19 related expenses – No action was needed

Public Comment: no comments were made

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously VOTED to adjourn at approx. 6:57 p.m.