

Alexa Garvey, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Learning Annex at the District Office, Pawcatuck, CT present were Deborah Downie, Farouk Rajab, Craig Esposito, Candace Anderson, Alisa Morrison. Late Arrival: Jack Morehouse - 6:06pm

Also present were Dr. Van Riley, Superintendent, Mary Anne Butler, Assistant Superintendent, Allison Van Etten, Director of Special Services, Mark Friese, Stonington High School Principal and recording secretary Ana de Oliveira.

2019-2020 Board Goals Discussion and Direction

Dr. Riley shared information on the new teacher orientation. Allison Van Etten and Mark Friese spoke on climate and culture, Title IX staff training, and procedures for reporting student or staff complaints. Mary Anne Butler shared the states legislation on school climate. Ms. Butler also shared a draft of the District's Improvement Plan and Accountability Matrix.

Ms. Butler presented the current goals and how the district is meeting these goals. The Board discussed results of recent climate surveys. The Board discussed what the philosophy should be behind the 2019-2020 Board Goals.

Goals 2019-2020 will address three areas: Improve communication with the district and community; Cultivate appreciation for community service; Improve district culture and climate through shared responsibilities. Dr. Riley and Mrs. Butler will create a matrix for measureable goals that address these three areas.

The Board also discussed modifications to the existing Mission Statement to include a safety statement.

Board Introspection and discussion

The Board believes the Climate and Culture presentation is a good place to begin. The Board would like to see a questionnaire for students to complete at the end of a course, how would reporting and follow through be monitored and how could a person filing a complaint or concern be notified about follow through.

Alexa Garvey, Chairwoman gave an update on the Health Care MOU. She also reported that the OCA will contact the lawyer when she is complete or has questions for the district. There is no information on a timeframe for receiving the report.


Alisa Morrison – Exited meeting at 8:20pm

Adjournment

The following motion was made by Farouk Rajab and seconded by Jack Morehouse:

Motion 1: To adjourn at 9:00 pm

All: Aye


Candace Anderson, Board Secretary