



HAMDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020
MEETING MINUTES

Arturo Perez-Cabello, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

Board Members: Arturo Perez-Cabello, Melinda Saller, Lynn Campo, Christopher Daur, Gail Mitchell, Walter Morton IV., Roxana Walker-Canton, and Gary Walsh (7:10 P.M. – 10:10 P.M.)

Board Members Absent: Melissa Kaplan

Staff: Jody Goeler, Tom Ariola, Gary Highsmith, Karen Kaplan and Christopher Melillo

INFORMATION ITEMS

The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent, Chris Melillo, presented the School Reopening Plan.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following Board Members commented on Information Items:
Melinda Saller, Arturo Perez-Cabello, Gary Walsh, Gail Mitchell, Roxana Walker-Canton, Lynn Campo and Chris Daur

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people had their comments read during Public Comments:
Tracy DeAngelo, John Wilco, Christine Moon, Diane Purvin and Seth Rosenthal, Misha Serfillippi, Kerry O'Sullivan, Lindsay Lawton, Kate and Tom Aitkenhead, Jeff Mital, Helen Barajas, Lilly Messina, Beth Messina and Joe Messina, William Calfe, Faith Smith, Lauren Garrett, David Hiller, Jen Testa, Robert J. Lawton, Kay Birthwright, Alexa Panayotakis, Justin Boucher, Cat Balco, and Megan Goslin.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following Board Members commented on Information Items:
Melinda Saller, Arturo Perez-Cabello, Chris Daur, Roxana Walker-Canton, Gail Mitchell, Walter Morton IV., Gary Walsh, and Lynn Campo

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Move to approve minutes from the Board meeting on June 9, 2020.
Saller
Seconded by: Morton IV.
In Favor: Campo, Daur, Mitchell, Morton IV., Perez-Cabello, Saller and Walsh
Abstain: Walker-Canton

MOTION PASSES

2. Move to approve minutes from the Special Board of Education meeting on June 16, 2020.

Saller

Seconded by: Daur

In Favor: Campo, Daur, Morton IV., Perez-Cabello, Saller and Walsh

Abstain: Walker-Canton and Mitchell

MOTION PASSES

3. Move to approve minutes from the Special Board of Education meeting on June 25, 2020.

Saller

Seconded by: Mitchell

In Favor: Campo, Daur, Mitchell, Morton IV., Perez-Cabello, Saller and Walsh

Abstain: Walker-Canton

MOTION PASSES

CORRESPONDENCE

Melinda Saller reviewed the correspondence she has received since the last meeting.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

PENDING ACTION

4. Move to approve food service operations during the 2020-2021 school year (Whitsons' option one)- students going to the café, picking up their meals and returning to their individual classrooms (Special Operations Committee Meeting 7/7/20).

Daur

Seconded by: Saller

Unanimous

INFORMATION ITEMS CONTINUED

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent's report on the meetings and activities he attended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee - Committee Chair, Melissa Kaplan was absent.

ACES/Wintergreen - Committee Chair, Lynn Campo stated there was nothing to report.

Operations Committee - Committee Chair, Christopher Daur, reported on the activities of the committee.

Finance Committee - Committee Chair, Walter Morton IV., stated there was nothing to report.

Personnel Committee - Committee Chair, Walter Morton IV., stated there was nothing to report.

Policy Committee - Committee Chair, Melinda Saller, stated the next meeting will be in August.

Evaluation and Goals Committee - Committee Chair, Lynn Campo reported on the activities of the committee.

Equity Committee - Committee Chair, Arturo Perez-Cabello, stated there will be a meeting on July 28, 2020.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following Board member spoke this evening:
Melinda Saller, Lynn Campo, Gail Mitchell, Roxana Walker-Canton, Chris Daur, and Gary Walsh.

ADJOURNMENT

5. Move to adjourn at 10:25 P.M.
Saller
Seconded by: Mitchell
Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,
Melinda Saller, Board Secretary