

ADOPTED

GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Strategic Plan Committee

March 26, 2021

2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Virtual Meeting (using Zoom)

BoE Attendees:

- Karen Hirsh
- Karen Kowalski
- Peter Sherr
- Toni Jones

1. Call to Order and Agenda

Meeting was called to order and agenda reviewed by Mr. Sherr.

2. Survey

Mr. Sherr presented the latest draft version of the Parent Community Survey. He highlighted open question areas particularly Dr. Jones interest in Educational Equity that needed further development.

Dr. Jones explained that Educational Equity was an issue in the district and elaborated on problems she observed. She explained that “access to classes and other educational resources” is a problem and specific issues would be presented at the next BoE meeting.

Dr. Jones highlighted student placement in high level course work at middle and high school as a specific challenge referencing the number of “parent over-rides” on Guidance Department recommendations. Dr. Jones also highlighted internet access for students as an issue. There was a general discussion about translating these concerns into specific questions that could be asked of parents in this survey. It was agreed a specific question asking parents if they thought their children had “access to classes and educational resources”.

Ms. Hirsh raised concern that additional questions needed to be included to understand Family Communication and Engagement. Previously, it was agreed draft survey would be part of a framework combining surveys from various sources including prior GPS surveys. Ms. Hirsh asked for clarification of questions contained in the upcoming Panorama Survey which had previously contained family communication and engagement questions. It was agreed Ms. Hirsh would collaborate with Dr. Jones as appropriate in the preparation of the 2021 Panorama Survey.

### 3. Adjourn

Mr. Sherr proposed and members agreed next meeting would be at 1p.m. on March 31. Mr. Sherr adjourned the meeting.