

**C.E.S. REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 7, 2021
MINUTES - DRAFT**

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PRESENT:

Karen Hirsh	-	GREENWICH
Suzanne Koroshetz	-	NORWALK
Andy George	-	STAMFORD (Vice President)
Mike Ward	-	TRUMBULL (Secretary)
Karen Kleine	-	WESTPORT (President)
Debbie Low	-	WILTON

ABSENT:

John Weldon	-	BRIDGEPORT
VACANT	-	DARIEN
Jeff Parker	-	EASTON/REDDING/REG. 9 (Alt.)
Trish Pytko	-	FAIRFIELD
VACANT	-	MONROE
VACANT	-	NEW CANAAN
Margaret Stamatis	-	RIDGEFIELD
Vinny Faggella	-	STRATFORD
Melissa Walker	-	WESTON

C.E.S.: **Present:** Charles Dumais, Chris LaBelle, Lori Elliott, Eric Nyquist, Anna Nelmes-Stoughton, Peggy Sullivan, Mike McGrath, Suzanne Clement, Stephanie Wanzer
ABSENT: Ivy Guzman

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM – President Karen Kleine called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. Quorum was confirmed.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Karen Kleine and seconded by Mike Ward, the minutes of the September 2, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved.
- III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:
 1. Stephanie Wanzer, president of the CESEA, thanked the administrators once again for their support and looks forward to working with administrators on the upcoming teacher negotiations.
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA: On a motion by Karen Kleine and seconded by Mike Ward, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

1 V. NEW BUSINESS:

2 1. Policies: Chris LaBelle reviewed the revisions to the following policies,
3 which are being submitted for a **first read**: Chris explained in detail the new policy
4 5.020 – COVID-19 Vaccinations that is in line with the Governor’s mandate. If anyone
5 has any questions over the weekend, please email Chip or Chris. The policies will be
6 on the November agenda for final approval.

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- 8 Policy 5.014 Death Benefit (**revision**)
- 9 Policy 5.019 Face Coverings/Masks (**revision**)
- 10 Policy 5.020 COVID -19 Vaccinations (**new policy**)
- 11 Policy 6.015 Bullying Behavior (**revision**)
- 12 Policy 6.033 Special Education (**revision**)
- 13 CES Bylaws of the Council – **Section 3B4 (revision)**
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15 2. Revision to the 2021-22 calendars: Chip explained that in order to be
16 aligned with the school district which send the largest number of students to
17 CES programs; we are making this change to the next week next April
18 which will also incorporate Good Friday. Chris further advised that we have
19 approximately 1000 students in CES programs and without the revision,
20 there would be approximately 750 students not in attendance as the
21 calendar stands now. On a motion by Karen Kleine and seconded by
22 Suzanne Koroshetz, the Council unanimously approved the change in the
23 April 2022 vacation week from April 8-15, 2022 to April 18-22, 2022 to better
24 align with other CES member districts. Chip noted any firm vacation plans
25 already in place for the week of April 8, 2022 would be honored.

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27 3. 2022-23 Calendars (**First Read**): Chip explained that CES is again trying to
28 align with the current 2022-23 calendars we have received so far. The
29 calendars will be on the November agenda for final approval.

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31 4. Request for Magnet School Tuition Increase: Peggy Sullivan reviewed the
32 proposed magnet school tuition increase for both Six to Six and the
33 Regional Center for the Arts for the next two school years, 2022-23 and
34 2023-24. On a motion by Karen Kleine and seconded by Andy George, the
35 Council unanimously approved the magnet school tuition increase as stated
36 above.

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38 VI. REPORTS: Please go to minute mark 27:04 to view/listen to reports. Link:
39 <https://youtu.be/1Xp9TBsf9IE>

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42 VII. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – on a motion by Karen Kleine
43 and seconded by Mike Ward, the Council adjourned to Executive Session for
44 discussion of the topics listed below. The time was 3:42 p.m.

- 45 1. Discussion of modifications to the Executive Director’s Contract;
- 46 2. Potential real estate purchase;
- 47 3. Teacher Negotiations.

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VIII. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION @ 4:18 p.m. On a motion by Mike Ward and seconded by Karen Kleine, the Council unanimously approved the Executive Director's contract for the period 2021-2024 as presented. There was one abstention (Hirsh).

IX. ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mike Ward and seconded by Karen Kleine, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Pace
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Recording Secretary