

Executive Committee

MEETING SUMMARY



Date: November 22, 2024
Time: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Location: LEARN, Room 107/ 44 Hatchedts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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Present: Robert Mitchell, Chair; Dale Bernardoni, Vice Chair; Jen Favalora, Fiscal Officer; Beverly Washington, Secretary; Maryann O'Donnell, Superintendent of Schools Clinton; and Katherine Ericson, LEARN Executive Director

Not Attending: Dr. Cynthia Ritchie, Superintendent of Schools New London

Meeting began at 8:33 a.m.

1. Review 2023-2024 Draft Audit

1.1 CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) Principal, Jessica Aniskoff, to present

Jessica Aniskoff presented CLA's audit overview with the Executive Committee. While a few items are still pending for CLA to finalize in the next few weeks, no significant changes to the findings are expected. Overall, LEARN had another clean audit. However, three material weaknesses were identified, which will require corrective action plans. The LEARN team has already outlined the path forward to remedy these deficiencies.

2. Review December 2024 Board of Directors' Agenda

3. Tuition/Service Rates' Discussion

Executive Director Ericson shared the proposal for Special Education rate increases for programs and services. Tuition, Extended School Year, hourly rates, and evaluation service rates were adjusted to ensure LEARN is able to cover projected expenditures for next year.

4. Bid Waiver: Year 3 LEAP MSAP, New England Science and Sailing (NESS) at TFS

Motion to approve the bid waiver for New England Science and Sailing (NESS), as sole source provider, to provide unique instructional experiences for students at The Friendship School (TFS) using a museum approach strategy for fiscal year 2025, in the amount of \$48,000.00.

- **Presented by Beverly Washington**
- **Second by Jennifer Favalora**
- **Motion Passed, unanimously**

5. Bid Waiver: UCLA/CRESST Center, 2024 MSAP Project/Five (5) Yr SECT SOARS

Motion to approve the bid waiver for UCLA/CRESST, as a single-source provider, to continue to serve as the rigorous evaluation provider for LEARN's current MSAP project (LEAP) as a subcontractor with LEARN's project evaluator: American Education Solutions for the remainder of the MSAP grant award period in the amount of \$373,585.00.

- **Presented by Jennifer Favalora**
- **Second by Beverly Washington**
- **Motion Passed unanimously**

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

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