New Britain Board of Education Special Meeting

June 15, 2020 - 5:00 PM | Virtual Meeting



Call to Order and Roll Call

Call to Order

Mr. Merrill Gay, President of the New Britain Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Board Members Present

Ms. Monica Dawkins, Mr. Merrill Gay, Mr. Anthony Kane, Ms. Diane Leja, Mr. Nicholas Mercier, Ms. Annie Parker, Ms. Diana Reyes, Ms. Gayle Sanders-Connolly, Dr. Violet Jiménez Sims

Board Members Absent

Ms. Nancy Rodriguez



New Business

Personnel: Approve Administrative Appointment

Submitted by Ms. Nancy Sarra I No Committee Review

Ms. Rolanda Booker, Interim Elementary School Principal at Northend Elementary School, effective July 1, 2020.
Currently Elementary School Assistant Principal at Smith Elementary School. The salary is \$135,813 and the funding source is local funding.

Ms. Parker motioned to approve the administrative appointment of Ms. Rolanda Booker to Interim Elementary School Principal at Northend Elementary School, seconded by Ms. Reyes. Motion carried unanimously.

Operations: Approve Superintendent's Budget Request for 2020-2021 Fiscal Year

The Superintendent's Budget Request for 2020-2021 Fiscal Year was presented to the Board by Mr. Kevin Kane, Chief Financial Officer, at the regular Board of Education Meeting on June 1, 2020.

Mr. Mercier motioned to approve the Superintendent's budget request for the 2020-2021 fiscal year as presented, seconded by Ms. Parker. All were in favor of motion to adopt the Superintendent's budget request for the 2020-2021 fiscal year as presented with the exception of Dr. Jiménez Sims. Motion carried by 8-1 vote.

Chamberlain School Feasibility Study Presentation

Mr. Raymond Moore, Chief Facilities and Special Projects Officer, Mr. Chuck Boos, Mr. Fred Khericha and Mr. Paul Dominov presented the findings of the completed Chamberlain Elementary School Feasibility Study. Mr. Boos, Mr. Khericha and Mr. Dominov are representatives of Kaestle Boos Associates of New Britain. The Consolidated School District of New Britain retained Kaestle Boos Associates (KBA) to perform a feasibility study to demonstrate the potential for the Chamberlain Elementary School to meet "Renovation" status as defined by the Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-282 (18). The Executive Summary of the Feasibility Study and proposed site and floor plans are attached. Mr. Moore estimates that it would take the architect approximately one year to finish the design work for the school and construction could start as soon as school gets out in June of 2021 if all goes well.

Operations: Accept Chamberlain School Feasibility Study

Submitted by Mr. Raymond Moore

Mr. Mercier motioned that the Board of Education accepts the Chamberlain School Feasibility Study as complete and requests that the School Building Committee advertise and begin the interview process for the architect and construction manager, seconded by Ms. Sanders-Connolly. Motion carried unanimously.

Closing and Adjournment

Mr. Mercier motioned to adjourn at 5:49 PM, seconded by Ms. Parker. Motion carried unanimously.