Canaan Board of Education Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm Held Virtually via Zoom for Lee H. Kellogg School Falls Village, Connecticut, 06031

In attendance: Chair Patricia Mechare, Vice Chair Adam Sher, Member Maria Bulson, Treasurer Theresa Graney, Member Tanya Golden. Also in attendance: Region One Schools Superintendent Lisa Carter, Region One Schools Assistant Superintendent Jeanine Rose, Principal Stacey Calo, Lee H. Kellogg Social Studies Educator Eliza Paolucci, Lee H. Kellogg Executive Secretary/Secretary to the BOE Laurie Wadsworth, CATV Media and guest HVRHS Cafeteria Manager Andrew Ouellette. Mr. Ouellette departed the meeting at 7:20 pm. Eliza Paolucci exited the meeting at 7:55 pm

- XI. Call to Order 7:06 pm.
- XII. Board of Education Recognition Andrew Ouellette, HVRHS Cafeteria Manager
- XIII. Focus on Student Learning: <u>Promotional Video at LHK</u> created by Pig Iron Films working with Nancy Hegy Martin. Very positive from Board great for marketing, will be shared widely in town, on Realtor sites, etc. Tells the story of LHK well. <u>Link to all Region One School Promotional Videos</u>
- XIV. Approval of Agenda on a motion by TGraney seconded by TGolden, unanimous with the addition of C. MOA under Old Business.
- XV. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approved on a motion by MBulson, seconded by TGraney, unanimous <u>November 1</u>, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
- XVI. Communications
 - A. Public Comment n/a
 - B. Written n/a
 - C. Region One Representative PMechare reports the HVRHS meeting took place on 12.5.22 (<u>Agenda</u>, <u>Minutes</u>). Highlights - Phase II of solar on the roof was approved; Pat everyone is encouraged to attend the FFA sales. Approved Jan. 17 - 20 - late openings at 9:45 am for mid-year exams; multiple policies were approved. Ian Strever's report was of note.
 - D. ABC Committee Representative PMechare reports on the 11.30.2022 Meeting David Valcin is still Chair. Looking into electric buses. (Agenda, Minutes)

XVII. Old Business

- A. 8th Grade DC Trip sharing trip with Salisbury Central School. Tour group "Close Up" has excellent reviews. Approval of the Close Up 8th Grade Trip for 3 days in DC, 4th day in Gettysburg on a motion by TGolden, seconded by ASher, unanimous.
- B. Update on the roof by SCalo reports that possibility of Thursday, Dec. 8 for BBeebe, LTimolat, MMancione (Stacey's father). Feels we have a couple more years and

suggests using rolled rubber on the flat portion. Timing will help with cost, local roofers might be able to be used.

XVIII. New Business

A. Oil Tank Removal Compliance - SCalo reports that the state of CT wants proof that LHK removed the oil tank; in communication as everything was done correctly in 2019. Paperwork substantiates the work and will be reviewed. Report at the next regular meeting.

B. Policies

- Updates to Existing MBulson notes she wants to discuss Superintendent vs. Principal roles
 - a) 1411 Community Relations- Law Enforcement Updates to Existing
 - b) 1312 Public Complaints Updates Existing
 - c) 1212 School Volunteers Update Existing
 - d) 1330 Use of School Facilities Update Existing
- 2. First Read Recommended Lacking
 - a) <u>1700 Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property</u> MBulson recommends checking last paragraph
- 3. Retire Policies Recommend to follow up with Cabe possibly keep as Administrative
 - a) 1325 Advertising & Promotion Retire -
 - b) 1250 (1240) Visits to Schools Retire
 - c) 1313 Gifts to the School Retire
- C. MOA Motion to approve MOA as presented in regard to stipend for those who worked 20 years or more at the school by TGolden, seconded by TGraney, unanimously approved.

X. Reports

- A. Principal NESDEC
- B. <u>Assistant Superintendent</u> highlights from JRose focus on substitutes and the need. Actively working on relaxing some requirements regarding Bachelor's degrees, Sign and Sub events, etc.
- C. <u>Superintendent</u> highlights from LCarter Jonathan Costa from EdAdvance Region One Board Retreat - highly recommended to bring to rest of boards. Draft Calendar 2023-2024 is out for review to be addressed in January. Middle School Sports program review requires students getting out earlier on game days, schools buying e-buses, lack of coaches (possibly get certified for free) etc.
- XI. Financial Reports motion to receive <u>SNB Check Register 11.1.22-11.25.22</u> and <u>November Cash Report</u> reports by MBulson, seconded by TGolden, passed unanimously. MBulson commented on if fuel prices are locked in (no) and if teachers are using their line items (not until Spring).
- XII. Committee Reports

A. Water Softener - PMechare reports that LTimolat, Building Committee member, has talked to Henry Todd, First Selectman about the issues. SCalo is having Eastern Water come in (unrelated to any work done previously) to report with the hope that Henry Todd can intercede with Aquarion.

XIII. Public Comment - n/a

XIX. Adjournment at 8:48 pm on a motion by TGraney, seconded by TGolden passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted December 6, 2022

Laurie Wadsworth, LHK Office Administrator and Secretary to the Canaan BOE