

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 24, 2020

Regular Meeting
Long Term Planning Committee

- I. Call to Order The Long Term Planning Committee meeting, held in the Litchfield Intermediate School Auditorium and via teleconference, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Morosani.

Members present: Mr. Morosani, Chair, Mr. Pavlick, Mr. Shuhi, and Mr. Falcetti. Also present: Mr. Leone, Superintendent, Mr. Terzian, BOE Chair, Mr. Sattazahn, Chief Operations Officer, and Mrs. Hodges, Administrative Assistant, District Liaison, LPS & RSD6.

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. Review the minutes of the special meeting of July 16, 2020.

Mr. Pavlick made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of July 16, 2020. Mr. Shuhi seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

III. New Business

- a. Work Group

Mr. Leone shared, via email, a copy of the Work Group on Collaboration member list as it stands today. Currently, there is a need for two community members and two secondary parents to complete the team. Additional communication efforts will take place to seek and fill the four vacant seats. The goal is to appoint the Work Group members at the October 8, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

- b. Collaboration Update

Mr. Leone led a discussion identifying four key areas that could hinder further collaboration efforts with Region 6; history, governance, assets and debt, and labor contracts. Mr. Leone noted, while not insurmountable; awareness, understanding, and consideration of each topic are important for future collaborative work.

Highlights of the Collaboration Update include a discussion on the makeup and voting power of each district's Boards of Education, Town Charter versus Public Charter, and school budget oversight. Also discussed; ownership of buildings, debt and capital, and a general discussion on labor contracts with teachers, administrators, and non-certified staff.

Before the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Leone restated the Work Group on Collaboration will meet one day a month with the goal to bring forth a recommendation to the Board in the spring. Mr. Leone will lead the group and be the conduit to the Board, providing progress updates. The first meeting of the Work Group is expected to convene in November.

- IV. Adjournment There being no further business to come before this committee, Mr. Pavlick made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Terzian seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Escobar
Secretary, pro-tem