

Board of Education

Ellington, CT

July 29, 2020

A special teleconference meeting of the Ellington Board of Education was held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020.

Present were Mr. Purcaro, Blanchette and Young; Ms. Kupferschmid, Dzen, Nord, Mullen and Underwood.

Administration in attendance were Dr. Scott Nicol, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. John Collins, Director of Technology; Mr. Brian Hendrickson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction and Mr. Brian Greeleaf, Director of Finance and Operations.

Also in attendance was Ms. Jennifer Brown, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/Human Resources Coordinator.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mr. Purcaro, Chairman.

I. Citizen and Staff Forum

No one addressed the Board.

II. September 8th Start of School Date / Reopening 2020 Discussion

A motion was made to approve the revised school year calendar as presented, moving the first day of school to September 8th, 2020, reducing student contact days from 181 to 178, as permissible by the CT State Board of Education's recent decision, and leaving all future dates unchanged with the understanding that with new developments the district calendar may change prior to and after the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

1st. M. Young

2nd. J. Mullen

VOTE: Unanimous: The motion passed.

III. Discussion on Medical Reserve Account

Mr. Brian Greenleaf and Finance Committee Chair Nord, along with Board Chair

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Purcaro, provided updates and answered questions from Board members about medical reserve account and what setting up one with the town would entail.

IV. Anticipated Executive Session: For the Purpose of Negotiations

A motion was made to enter into executive session for the purposes of negotiations and to invite Brian Greenleaf, Director of Finance and Operations.

1st. M. Young

2nd. M. Underwood

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:31 p.m.

The Board exited Executive Session at 8:16 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8: 17 p.m.

1st. L. Nord

2nd. M. Young

VOTE: Unanimous: The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Picard-Wambolt
Secretary