

WEST HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 17, 2023
Regular Board Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on January 17, 2023, at Bailey Middle School Cafe, 106 Morgan Lane, West Haven, CT. Cebi Waterfield, Chair of the Board of Education called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Alliance.

BOARD MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cebi Waterfield
Andrea Talamelli
Patricia Libero
Robert Guthrie
Kim Kenny
Anne Heffernan
Jennifer Frost

ABSENT:

Patrick Egolum
Morgan Watts

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Neil Cavallaro, Superintendent of Schools
Judith Drenzek, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Matthew Cavallaro, Director of Finance

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

PRESENT: Ivanna Baez

B. Public Portion of Meeting: none, closed 6:01 p.m.

C. REPORTS

C.1.a. Administration/Status of Schools

Superintendent Cavallaro congratulated the Schools of Distinction. The job fair was a great success, we are going to communicate with the colleges and offer an evening for prospecting teacher to give them insight as to what we do here. This might bring more talent to us.

C.1.b Student Representatives

Student representative Ivanna Baez gave an update on the student/teacher hockey game, job fair, kiosk open for lunch at WHHS which has cut down the lines. An EMT program is starting up, SATS and future college courses being offered.

C.1.c. Board

Patricia Libero – spent 4 hours at Carrigan. Very impressed with the I Ready program
Kim Kenny – is also impressed with the I Ready program. Can we get a breakdown of school support staff? Hats off to the counseling department they spent a lot of time on the phone working with kids choosing their electives.

Jennifer – thanked the counselors for their commitment. Reminder of the Bailey Winter Concert Thursday night at 7:00 p.m.

D.1 Approval of Minutes

D.1.a The West Haven Board of Education Regular Board Meeting was held at West Haven High School Cafe, 1 McDonough Plaza West Haven, CT 06516 on January 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Move to Approve.

Chairwoman Waterfield asked for a motion to approve the minutes D.1.

Anne Heffernan made the motion

Jennifer Frost seconded the motion

Abstain: Andrea Talamelli, Patricia Libero

Discussion: none

All board members present were in favor

Minutes **D.1.** Approved

D.2. Resignations: (Certified)

23-07 Susan Danehy, R.N.

Nurse – Seth Haley School

Retirement

Effective: 03/01/2023

Move to Approve.

Cebi Waterfield asked for a motion to approve D.2.

Kim Kenny made the motion

Andrea Talamelli seconded the motion

Discuss: Jennifer- it is nice she offered to substitute
All board members present were in favor

Retirement **D.2** Approved

D.3. New Hire: (Certified)
None

D.4. New Business:

23-08 Settlement agreement between the West Haven Board of Education and United
Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU)

Move to Approve

Chairwoman Waterfield asked for a motion to approve D.3.
Robert Guthrie made the motion
Andrea Talamelli seconded the motion
Discussion: None
All board members present were in favor

New Business **D.4.** Approved

Informational

Chairwoman Waterfield asked for a motion to adjourn
Andrea Talamelli made the motion
Kim Kenny seconded the motion
All board members were in favor
The meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm

Respectfully submitted, Tamara Mursko