

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
October 10, 2022

Board Members Present:  Mrs. France  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Packer  Mrs. Sosnovske  
 Mr. Pod  Mr. Goralczyk

Board Members Absent:  Mrs. France  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Packer  Mrs. Sosnovske  
 Mr. Pod  Mr. Goralczyk  
(With Notice)

Administration Present:  Puzdrakiewicz  Timmerman  McCabe  Abate  Moran  Shepard  
 Medina  
 Business Office –Sorgeloos

Guests: 3

**Call to Order:** President Mrs. France called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. in the board room at the  
 Administration Building  Virtually through zoom .

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present:  Mrs. France  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Packer  Mrs. Sosnovske   
Mr. Pod  Mr. Goralczyk

Absent: (With Notice)  Mrs. France  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Packer  Mrs. Sosnovske  
 Mr. Pod  Mr. Goralczyk

**Acceptance of Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Packer, Second by Mr. Goralczyk to accept the Agenda  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**

**Presentations: No Presentations**

**Public Participation: No Public Participation**

**Union Groups Open Discussion: (First Board of the Month Only)**

**Teacher** – Mrs. Rogers updated the board with the following items:

- Spirit week is this week in the district.
- Endeavour has penny wars going on this week.
- Endeavour M.S. and H.S. are having a competition to decorate doors for homecoming
- Endeavour had their day of “awesomeness” this week.
- Elementary is working on the new ELA program with the literacy coaches. This program has a lot of resources so it is a little overwhelming at this time.
- NHEA would like to know if the board has had any discussion on an armed officer being hired for the district. Staff is growing concerned about the safety.
- NHE provided a list of complaints regarding their building not being cleaned. Teachers want bathrooms cleaned, sinks cleaned, floors mopped at least once a week. Superintendent stated ABM is short staffed and she is aware of the high school having a few issues as well.

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Superintendent will speak with Mr. McCabe and get more information. She has also shared the spreadsheet of concerns with Tony Hamilton from ABM.

- Endeavour has had a few heat and air issues in the classroom. Mr. Clifford comes out immediately and fixes the issue.

**Secretary**

**Paraprofessional**

**Transportation**

**Student Rep.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer, that the Board approves the following consent agenda items.

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2022

**Motion Carried: Unanimous**

**Communications: No Communications**

### **Reports of the Superintendent for Action:**

- 1) Report 52, Personnel Report.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer to approve the resignations of Lisa Fleck and Tracy Knuckey.  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**
- 2) Report 53, Personnel Report.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer to approve the contract and hiring of Alma Pegelo for the SACC program working in the range of 3-15 hours per week. No benefits are offered for this position.  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**
- 3) Report 54, Personnel Report.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer to approve the contract and hiring of Sarah Combs for the SACC Program working the range of 3-15 hours per week. No benefits are offered with this position.  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**
- 4) Report 55, Summer Tax Resolution.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer to approve the Annual Summer Tax Resolution imposing 50% annual school property taxes, including debt service upon property located within the district.  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**
- 5) Report 56, NHCS Educational Goals.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mr. Packer to approve the 2022-2023 NHCS Educational Goals  
Mr. Packer and Mr. Goralczyk asked if they could have something that shows more than “Shows Improvement” such as a percentage in the educational goals. Superintendent responded that she can go back and look at the fall data and add actual percentages and bring that to the board when the testing is completed. These percentages will not go to the state, and will only be for the benefit of the district.  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**

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- 6) **Report 57, Bylaws 0160.1 Minutes.** Motion by Mr. Goralczyk, Second by Mrs. Simon to adopt the bylaw 0160.1 – Minutes – J. Audio tapes of open session may be recorded in support of preparing the proposed written minutes, and will be erased after one (1) year of the written minutes being approved.

Board discussion- Mr. Packer asked why we need to have both the approved written minutes and the recording of the minutes. Superintendent answered that there are a few times that the audio tapes needed to be referenced. Mrs. Patton stated that this is a way for fact checking of the written minutes. Mrs. France also stated that there has been times that the tapes needed to be referenced if the item was not in the minutes due to the fact the minutes are not verbatim. Mr. Goralczyk stated that motion could be amended to say six (6) months instead of a year.

**Roll Call: AYES (5) Mr. Goralczyk, Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Sosnovske, Mrs. France  
NAYS (1) Mr. Packer Absent: Mr. Pod  
Motion Carries**

### Report of the Superintendent for Information:

- 7) **Report 58, Homecoming – Class of 1973:** An Alumni member from the Class of 1973 reached out to NHCS to secure a place at the high school parking lot for tailgating prior to the homecoming game. They would like to do this as a trial run as next year will be their 50<sup>th</sup> Year Reunion. The district is supporting their request to use the parking lot at the high school. Mr. Medina reached out to the group and let them know that we would also reserve a space for them in the stands.
- 8) **Report 59, Monthly Treasury Periodic Reporting:** The district has been released from Treasury Oversight. The Treasury has determined the district is no longer subjected to the periodic reporting process pursuant to MCL 380.1219. The Treasury will continue to monitor enrollment trends and budgetary assumptions.
- 9) **Report 60, ESSER III Report:** Per the regulations for our ESSER III Grant, Superintendent needs to periodically bring to the board what has been spent, and what has been allocated to be spent with the ESSER III grant money. In the board drive is the spreadsheet that lists what has been allocated and what is left to be allocated. It will be updated with actual expenses for the quarter ending September 30, 2022 in November.
- 10) **Report 61, State Scores for NHCS** Superintendent shared the spring testing results from 2022. We are really proud of our M Step scores in all five (5) grade levels (3-7th). The district is above the county and the state average for ELA and above the county and the state average in Math in four (4) of the five (5) grade levels. Social Studies and Science need work, but you can see from the low scores across the county and state, that is an area everyone needs to improve on. We still had scores for Science better than the county and the state in two (2) of the three (3) grade levels who took it. Our high school SAT scores, although have improved over the previous years' scores, have work to continue to do. We have purchased a new math program as well as ELA resources to support the program being used at the high school level. We should take pride in our accomplishments and celebrate them, as well as keep our foot on the accelerator to continue providing a quality education for our families.

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**11) Report Margaret Dunning Foundation Grant Award** Dawn Vigneau applied for a grant from the Margaret Dunning Foundation for the automotive program at the high school. The foundation approved the grant and awarded the automotive program \$36,000.00. Superintendent will reach out to Mrs. Vigneau to find out what these funds will be used for and update the board with this information.

**12) Report 63, Board of Education and Taxes** Board of Education members will now need to go from a 1099 to a W-2 per IRS rules. The board members will not be a part of the retirement system, this is only for tax purposes.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Superintendent informed the board that the district has interviewed and offered a position to the new Kindergarten teacher at NHE. The individual will begin at NHE on October 24, 2022. This will be on the October 24, 2022 Agenda
- School Resource Officer. A grant just came out and the district will be applying for the grant. Superintendent would like to state for the record that the real goal in having a security guard (school resource officer) would be for this person to start making relationships with the students. In hopes that students would go to this person if they hear rumors of something taking place. This is a competitive grant so there is a chance that we could not get it. This person would be paid by the grant, fifty (50%) percent and then the district would pay the other fifty (50%) percent. The grant is for a thirty six (36) month period. After that time, the district would be responsible for the employee's wages and would see if local municipalities would help with the cost associated with the position.
- Mr. Goralczyk asked if it is possible to get back to presentations from the buildings. He would like to see an overview of what is going on in the buildings. This would not need to be on a monthly basis, just every couple of months. Also have the student council start presenting again.
- Mrs. France would like the board to be supplied with a list of when staff meetings are at the schools, PTO Meetings, Events at the schools
- District Calendar on website showed that high school football game was away, but it was actually a home game. Superintendent will look into this and let the board know where the error came from.
- Homecoming Parade – Board members were invited to ride in a trolley. **Parade starts at 4:00 – Lineup at 3:30 pm**

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mrs. Patton, second by Mr. Goralczyk, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted**



Regina Mrs. Patton, Secretary  
New Haven Board of Education