

COMMITTEE FOR SHARED SERVICES

September 20, 2022

Held Remotely Via Google Meet

5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Barkhamsted Caprice Shaw
 Hartland Amy Levan
 Norfolk Janet Byrne
 Regional #7 Theresa Kenneson, Chairperson
 Shared Services Quentin H. Rueckert, Executive Director
 Superintendents' Council Judith Palmer, Sup't-Regional #7

ABSENT: Colebrook TBD

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Kenneson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held via teleconference due to the coronavirus.

2. PUBLIC PORTION:

- a. Special visitors or delegations
None
- b. Opportunity for public to speak on agenda items
None

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF May 24, 2022, meeting:

MOTION by Janet Byrne, seconded by Caprice Shaw, to accept the minutes as presented.

In favor: Theresa Kenneson, Amy Levan, Caprice Shaw and Janet Byrne
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Quentin Rueckert reported that the summer session of ESY (extended school year) went well.

There have been several changes to programs and staff. Shared Services lost four school psychologists from last year. We were able to replace two prior to the school year, and one position was filled with a social worker in Hartland. Fortunately, we were just able to hire a new school psychologist for Colebrook as well.

We moved the Highlander Transition Academy program from 45 Elm Street, Winsted, to the Saint Anthony School building on Oak Street, also in Winsted. This has been a welcome and positive transition and everyone involved is thrilled with the move. We have hired a few new paraprofessionals and are still in the process of hiring three more.

All in all it has been a positive start to the school year.

5. SUPERINTENDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT:

Judy Palmer reported that the superintendents have begun their regular meetings as of today and will continue to meet regularly to discuss ongoing regional matters. Teacher negotiations, insurance benefits, and the November 7th professional development day were all discussed.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

7. OLD BUSINESS:

None

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Presentation of the check register to the CSS treasurer: Mike Morus will no longer be the treasurer and presentation of the check register will resume when a new treasurer is elected.
- b. The discussion regarding election of officers will be put on the Agenda for the next meeting in October.

- c. The adoption of the Flexibilities for Implementing the Guidelines for Educator Evaluation for the 2022-2023 school year was discussed.

MOTION by Caprice Shaw, seconded by Janet Byrne, to adopt the Educator Evaluation Flexibilities for the 2022-2023 school year.

In favor: Theresa Kenneson, Amy Levan, Caprice Shaw and Janet Byrne

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

9. OTHER:

None

10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

None

MOTION at 5:24 p.m. by Janet Byrne, seconded by Caprice Shaw, to adjourn the meeting.

In favor: Theresa Kenneson, Amy Levan, Caprice Shaw and Janet Byrne

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Respectfully submitted,

Quentin H. Rueckert

Approved: 10-17-22