

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford

Accountability and Support Committee

Wednesday, March 11, 2020
450 Columbus Plaza North Hearing Room J
Hartford, Connecticut

Minutes
(Approved on: April 22, 2020)

I. Call to Order

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, Committee Chairperson Dr. Estela López called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Committee Dr. Estela López, Chairperson
Members Present: Erin D. Benham
 Donald F. Harris, Jr.

Committee
Member Absent: None

Staff Present: Desi Nesmith
 Lisa Lamenzo
 Leslie Navarrete
 Jessa Mirtle

Guests Present: Liam J. Enea, Founder of Youths in Business
 Adam Figueiredo, Adviser, Whisconier Middle School, Brookfield

II. Approval of Minutes

Erin Benham moved, Donald F. Harris, Jr. seconded, that the committee approve the minutes of the January 15, 2019 Accountability and Support Committee meeting.

Vote: In Favor: López, Benham, and Harris
 Abstained: 0
 Opposed: 0
 Absent: 0

III. Youths in Business Presentation

Liam J. Enea, Founder of Youths in Business presented to SBE Accountability and Support Committee members on his free after school economics education program that is offered to middle school students at a number of Brookfield Public Schools. The program which has expanded since its conception is taught by high school students, and is intended to equip middle school students with the tools and strategies to start thinking like an economist in the real world so they can become optimistic and effective contributors to society. Liam has incorporated in the Youths in Business curriculum principals of all major school subjects with an emphasis on real-world application and practicality. The Board members commended Liam's efforts and success with Youths in Business.

IV. Discussion: 180 Day Waiver Framework

CSDE Legal Director Jessa Mirtle provided an update on the 180 Day Waiver.
The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Prepared by: Leslie Navarrete