CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

The Legislation and Policy Development Committee

Special Meeting Wednesday, November 13, 2020, 10 am Fully remote

Erin D. Benham, Chair Donald F. Harris, Malia K. Sieve, Bonnie E. Burr, Karen DuBois-Walton, Robert Trefry and Elwood Exley, Jr.

Minutes

(Approved December 2, 2020)

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the Board of Education Legislation and Policy Development Committee remotely due to COVID-19, on November 13, 2020.

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair Erin Benham called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. Also present remotely were Committee members: Donald F. Harris, Malia K. Sieve, Robert Trefry, Karen DuBois-Walton, Elwood Exley, Jr., and Bonnie Burr.

Presenters: Laura Stefon, Chief of Staff. Also present at the meeting was SDE Legal Director Jessa Mirtle.

II. Action - 2021 Legislative Proposals

Laura Stefon, Chief of Staff and Legislative Liaison reviewed the proposed legislative proposals in detail at this special meeting:

Acts Concerning:

- Technical Changes to Laws Requiring Fingerprinting in Schools
- Recovery of Misused State Funds
- o Minor Revisions to Bilingual Education Certification
- Revisions to the Laws Regarding Charter School Background Checks
- The Age When a Special Education Student Shall Begin Receiving Transition Services
- o The Provisions of Special Education Services at Technical High Schools

- o The Resident Educator Certificate
- o The Technical Education and Career System Superintendent
- **o** Various Minor and Technical Revisions of the Education Statutes

Discussion included the background check process for school employees and the funding for special education for choice programs.

Unanimous vote to move all proposals to the full State Board for review at the December 2020 meeting.

III. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

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