

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford

The Legislation and Policy Development Committee

Wednesday, September 2, 2020, 8:30 a.m.

450 Columbus Boulevard – State Board members only

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Erin D. Benham, Chair

Donald F. Harris, Malia K. Sieve, Bonnie E. Burr, Karen DuBois-Walton, and Elwood Exley, Jr. (remote)

Minutes

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the Board of Education Legislation and Policy Development Committee met in-person and remotely due to COVID-19, on September 2, 2020.

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair Erin Benham called the meeting to order at 8:42 a.m. Also present were Committee members: Donald F. Harris, Malia K. Sieve, Bonnie E. Burr, Karen DuBois-Walton, Elwood Exley, Jr. (remote).

Presenters: Deputy Commissioner Charlene Russell-Tucker; John D. Frassinelli, Division Director (remote); Kimberly Traverso, LPC, State Education Consultant (remote); Irene Parisi, Chief Academic Officer (remote) and Scott Newgass, MSW, LCSW, State Education Consultant (remote). Also present at the meeting was SDE Legal Director, Jessa Mirtle.

II. Approval of Minutes – July 14, 2020

The Committee unanimously voted to approve the minutes for July 14, 2020.

III. Remote Learning Guidance

Presentation by Irene Parisi regarding remote leaning guidance with sample schedules highlighting strong practices; the first 20 days regardless of location; benchmarking with sample states; and the next steps including, communication to districts, ongoing technical assistance, ongoing professional learning, progress, monitor and support and follow-up resources.

IV. Connecticut Comprehensive School Counseling Framework Position Statement

Presentation by John D. Frassinelli, Division Director and Kimberly Traverso, LPC, State Education Consultant, regarding the Connecticut Comprehensive School Counseling Framework position statement which was developed in conjunction with the more extensive framework for school counseling services. Vote to move forward to the full Board at next meeting, contingent upon notation in the statement that the Board

acknowledges that the expectations set out in the guidance requires financial resources that not all districts may have and will need to request.

V. Firearm Safety Guide

John D. Frassinelli, Division Director and Scott Newgass MSW, LCSW, State Education Consultant spoke about information in the firearm safety guide, which had previously been discussed in a prior meeting. Vote to move forward to the full Board at next meeting.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

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