

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford

The Legislation and Policy Development Committee

Wednesday, December 2, 2020, 8:30 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 January 13, 2021

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 December 2, 2020.

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair Erin Benham called the meeting to order at 8:31 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: Irene Parisi, Chief Academic Officer; Dr. Melissa Hickey, Reading/Literacy Director; Bryan Klimkiewicz, Special Education Division Director; and Colleen Hayles, Education Consultant. Also present at the meeting was SDE Legal Director Jessa Mirtle.

II. Approval of Minutes – November 4 and 13, 2020

The Committee unanimously voted to approve both sets of minutes.

III. Update – Goal 2 of the CSBE 2016-2021 Five-Year Comprehensive Plan

Presentation by Irene Paris, Chief Academic Officer, and Melissa Włodarczyk Hickey, Reading/Literacy Director on Goal #2 of the State Board Comprehensive Plan regarding the supports the Academic office has developed towards teaching and learning.

IV. Action – Approved Private Special Education Programs Principles, Procedures and Standards

Presentation by Bryan Klimkiewicz, Special Education Division Director and Colleen Hayles, Education Consultant regarding the efforts to update the Approved Private Special Education Programs Principles, Procedures and Standards document, including but not limited to facilitating extensive input from stakeholders. Unanimous vote to move to full board for review and vote.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

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