

# Connecticut State Board of Education Hartford

Accountability and Support Committee

**Wednesday, February 15, 2023**

450 Columbus Blvd.  
Plaza North, Conference Rooms C & D  
Hartford, Connecticut

## **Minutes (Approved on April 19, 2023)**

### **I. Call to Order**

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, Committee Chairperson Erin D. Benham called the meeting to order at 3:29 p.m.

#### Committee

Members Present: Erin D. Benham  
Malia K. Sieve  
Donald F. Harris, Jr.  
Elwood Exley, Jr.  
Karen Dubois-Walton

#### Committee

Members Absent:

#### Staff Present:

Irene Parisi  
Iris White  
Kari Sullivan  
Leslie Navarrete  
Donna Pasternak

#### Guests Present:

Dr. Iline Tracey, Superintendent, New Haven Public Schools  
Lynn Brantley, Supervisor of Literacy, New Haven Public Schools  
Monica Joyner, Supervisor of Math, New Haven Public Schools  
Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin, Chief of Youth, Family and Community Engagement, New Haven Public Schools  
Typhanie Jackson, Director of Student Services, New Haven Public Schools

### **II. Approval of Minutes**

Elwood Exley, Jr., moved, Donald F. Harris, Jr., seconded, that the committee approve the minutes of the December 14, 2022, Accountability and Support Committee meeting.

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

### **III. New Haven Public Schools Alliance District Progress Update**

Irene Parisi, Chief Academic Officer for the CSDE Academic Office, provided a progress update overview of the alliance district goals set by the New Haven Public Schools. Ms. Parisi welcomed New Haven Public

Schools Superintendent Dr. Iline Tracey to introduce her team and provide their alliance district goals update through a slide deck ([slide deck can be found on the 2023 Accountability and Support Committee website](#)).

The three areas of concern are literacy, mathematics, and chronic absenteeism. Strategies were provided for each goal to support and continue to maintain their improved outcomes.

Superintendent Ilene Tracy provided an update on Goal 1 – Literacy. She shared progress to date on the implementation of progress monitoring, small group instruction, and professional development for literacy. Committee Chair Benham opened the floor to Committee members for questions and comments.

Supervisor of Math Monica Joyner provided an update on Goal 2 – Mathematics. She shared progress to date on the implementation of progress monitoring, small group instruction, and professional development for mathematics. Committee Chair Benham opened the floor to Committee members for questions and comments.

Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin, Chief of Youth, Family, and Community Engagement, and Typhanie Jackson, Director of Student Services provided an update on Goal 3 – Chronic Absenteeism. They shared progress to date on the implementation of family engagement, attendance teams, and community partners. Committee Chair Benham opened the floor to Committee members for questions and comments.

The Committee thanked the New Haven Public Schools team for their presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Prepared by: Donna Pasternak