

Board of Education Minutes
November 13, 2021
Special Meeting
Workshop

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A special meeting of the North Stonington Board of Education was held on Saturday, November 13, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. in the North Stonington Education Center Media Center. Present were Mrs. Wagner, Mr. Karpinski, Ms. Welborn, Mrs. Mazzella, Mr. Stefanowicz, Dr. Towle-Weicksel, and Mrs. Mastroianni. Chairperson Wagner called the workshop to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Topics of discussion included Board of Education meeting agendas, administrator reports and content, COVID protocols for quarantined students, Screen and Stay program, Transportation, subcommittee membership, and meeting/workshop plan for 2022.

Action items and decisions

1. Meet with administrators to discuss content for administrators' reports at BOE meetings.
 - What do they think is most important for BOE members to know; and
 - What are BOE members interested in hearing from administrators?
2. Meet with Mr. Cillino and Ms. Williams to review contact tracing and social distance requirements at the elementary school.
 - Tentatively plan to meet Monday, November 15 at 3:30 p.m.
 - Mr. Stefanowicz and Dr. Towle-Weicksel will attend.
3. Mrs. Wagner will contact Steve Mansfield from Ledge Light Health District to review quarantine requirements for the district.
4. Mr. Cillino will be asked to provide the teaching plan for quarantined students for Pre-K to 3 students and 4/5/6 grade students.
5. December 8 Board of Ed Meeting - Plan to move currently scheduled December 1 meeting to December 8 at 6:00 p.m.
6. Update on district transportation for January meeting.
 - Transportation plan for athletic teams for winter sports.
 - What is on-time percentage for students arriving at school and then returning home at end of day?
 - Any personnel shortages or issues for BOE?

7. Board of Education committees to be organized as follows:

- Student Success – Ms. Welborn (chair), Mrs. Mastroianni, Mr. Mendolia, and Dr. Towle-Weicksel.
- Community Relations – Mrs. Mastroianni (chair), Mrs. Mazzella, Mr. Mendolia, and Mr. Stefanowicz.
- Facilities & Finance – Mr. Karpinski (chair), Mrs. Mazzella, Dr. Towle-Weicksel, and Mrs. Wagner.
- Plan to rotate to new chair for each subcommittee in November 2022.

8. Subcommittees to meet in early December (in person in the old high school media center):

- Student Success – December 1 at 5:30 p.m. (60 min)
- Community Relations – December 1 at 6:30 p.m. (60 min)
- Facilities & Finance – December 8 at 5:30 p.m.

9. Reorganize BOE meeting schedule:

- 2nd Wednesday each month is a traditional BOE meeting.
- 4th Wednesday each month is a workshop with the goal to identify agenda items for the next BOE meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Karpinski, seconded by Ms. Welborn, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Welborn, Secretary Pro-Tem