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Mr. Brian P. Czapla
Superintendent of Schools

DRAFT Minutes
Somers Board of Education Meeting
May 11, 2020

Held via Teleconference

Meeting convened at 7:01pm

In attendance: Bruce Devlin, David Palmer, Marissa Marks, Kate McLellan, Krista Cherry, Jan Martin, Anne Kirkpatrick, Sarah Moynihan-Bollinger, Jeremy Anderson, Brian Czapla, Bill Boutwell, Irene Zitka, Margot Martello, Linda Ford, Clark family and St. Germain family

The Board Chairman made comments on procedures for conducting teleconference meetings.

Margot Martello (Principal, MBA) recognized Jed Clark and Sara St. Germain (MBA students) for their distinction on winning the CAFE Student Leader Award.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the BOE minutes from March 23, 2020 (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the BOE minutes from April 20, 2020 (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the Open Choice Enrollment Slots for the 2020-21 school year (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve DBS Policy 6172.6 (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the appointment of Dina Senecal as the new Director of Curriculum and Instruction effective July 1, 2020 (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the appointment of Melissa Mucci as the new Principal of Somers Elementary School (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

David Palmer made a motion to approve the cancellation of the June 20, 2020 and July 8, 2020 regularly scheduled BOE meetings (Jan Martin seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

Irene Zytka gave a report on the higher education partnerships with UConn, Asnuntuck Community College, and Goodwin University.

Brian Czaplak gave an update on the district's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The report focused on closing the school down for the remainder of the school year, summer school, and the opening of schools in the fall of 2020.

Kate McLellan gave a report on the proposed new math curriculum and resources for SES and MBA.

David Palmer gave an update on the status of the Nurse contract negotiations.

Jan Martin made a motion at 8:20pm to adjourn (David Palmer seconded the motion.) The motion passed unanimously.

Recording of the meeting can be found at
<https://www.somers.k12.ct.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=61378&pageId=26537794>