HAMDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020

Arturo Perez-Cabello called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM

Board Members: Arturo Perez-Cabello, Lynn Campo, Christopher Daur, Melissa Kaplan,

Gail Mitchell, Walter Morton IV., Melinda Saller, Roxanna Walker-Canton and Gary Walsh

Student Representatives: Darius Cummings and Mariam Khan

Administration: Jody Goeler, Tom Ariola, Karen Kaplan, Susan Smey and Theresa Ott

Correspondence – None

Information Items – None

Action Items

1. Move to approve the reauthorization of the annual Healthy Food Certification Statement under Section 10-215f of the CT General State Statutes, all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under the jurisdiction of the Hamden Board of Education, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 2, 2019 through June 30, 2020. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to, school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.

Kaplan

Seconded by: Saller

Unanimous

1. Move that Pursuant to Section 10-215f of the CT General State Statutes, the Hamden Board of Education will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards, provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event and 3) the food items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practice, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The “regular school day” is the period from midnight until 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held that such food is sold in connection with any event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend, such sale is at the location of the event, and such food is not sold from a vending machine or school store.

Saller

Seconded by: Kaplan

Unanimous

1. Move to approve the amendment to the First Student contract

Morton, IV.

Seconded by: Mitchell

Unanimous

Comments from Press and Public: Myron W. Hul, Dave Canton, Dr. David Lee Asbey, Jordan Jefferson, Irene Zou, Mareshah White, Alex Chavira, Sidharth Singla, Nandi Cummings and Abigail Cole

Comments from Board Members: Christopher Daur, Roxanna Walker-Canton, Melissa Kaplan, Melinda Saller, Walter Morton, IV., Gary Walsh and Arturo Perez-Cabello

Comments from Student Representatives: Darius Cummings and Mariam Khan

1. Move to adjourn (9:20 PM)

Saller

Second by: Walsh

Unanimous