## TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD MEETING MINUTES (CONCISE)

In order to comply with Connecticut General Statutes regarding minutes of meetings, the following will be used to record information during all public meetings that take place. Motions should be complete, showing the maker and second of the motion, as well as how each member voted. Unanimous votes may be listed as unanimous.

NAME OF PUBLIC BOARD OR COMMISSION: Wethersfield Board of Education

**DATE MEETING AGENDA POSTED**: January 20, 2022

## **LOCATION:**

Wethersfield Town Hall-Council Chambers, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109

The regular session meeting was live streamed on COX channel 16 or Frontier channel 6101, or the YouTube® Channel, "Wethersfield Government Access TV" by using the following link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfuf-C0gYVVxmD5iIfFTnsQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfuf-C0gYVVxmD5iIfFTnsQ</a>

**DATE OF MEETING:** January 25, 2022 TIME MEETING STARTED: 7:00 p.m.

PERSON PREPARING MEETING MINUTES: Ellen Goslicki

NOTES TAKEN: Yes AUDIO, VIDEO, OR LIVE TRANSMISSION OF MEETING: Yes

## **MEMBERS PRESENT AT MEETING:**

- 1. Janice Di Roberts
- 2. Christopher Healy
- 3. Bobbie Hughes Granato
- 4. Matt Laccavole

- 5. Dr. Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre
- 6. John F. Cascio, Vice Chairperson-Secretary
- 7. Charles T. Carey, Chairperson

Also present were Superintendent of Schools, Michael Emmett; Business Manager, Matthew Kozaka; Wethersfield Public Schools Director of Security and Residency (WPS Liaison for the COVID-19 Response Team), Michael Baribault; Wethersfield Public Schools Director of Special Education, John Karzar; WHS Principal, Siobhan O'Connor; Webb Elementary School Principal, Kenneth Craig; students from Webb School's Grade 6 Ambassador Team; Judy Keane, President of The Keane Foundation; Keane on Kids After School Enrichment Program Director, Caroline Fazzina; Wethersfield Social, Youth & Senior Services Assistant Director, Erica Texeira; Wethersfield Social & Youth Services Prevention Coordinator, Allison Nadeau-Shadon.

MPH; *B. Weyland Smith Consulting, LLC* CEO Bonnie Smith, MPH, CPH, CPS and Research Associate, Alyssa Gilbert, MPH. Members of the public were also present.

NUMBER REQUIRED FOR QUORUM: <u>5</u> QUORUM PRESENT: <u>Yes</u>

## **TEXT MOTIONS AND RESULTS VOTES:**

1st MOTION: _X_ Passed Failed Tabled
January 11, 2022 Board of Education Regular Session Meeting
Mr. Cascio MOVED to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Regular Session Meeting
of January 11, 2022, as submitted. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Granato and VOTED
unanimously.
2nd MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled
6.a. Recommended Motion: New Course Proposal: Creative Writing – Level 1
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve adoption of new course
proposal: Creative Writing – Level 1. The motion was SECONDED by Dr. Regan-Lefebvre and
VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments</u> : Mrs. Granato and Mrs. Di Roberts commented. Ms
O'Connor and Mr. Emmett also commented.
3rd MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled
6.b. <u>Recommended Motion</u> : Course Deletion: ECE English 1010 Seminar in Academic Writing
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the deletion of course
ECE English 1010 Seminar in Academic Writing. The motion was SECONDED by Dr.
Regan-Lefebvre and VOTED unanimously.
4th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled
6.c. <u>Recommended Motion</u> : New Course Proposal: ECE English 1007 Seminar in Academic Writing and Multimodal Composition – Level AP
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve adoption of new course
proposal: ECE English 1007 Seminar in Academic Writing and Multimodal Composition – Level
AP. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts and VOTED unanimously.
5th MOTION: _X_ Passed Failed Tabled

Writing through Literature and Add AP Literature and Composition – Level AP	6.d. Recommended Motion: Course Modification: Delete ECE English 1011 Seminar in		
	Writing through Literature and Add AP Literature and Composition –	Level AP	
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AP Literature and Composition – Level AP. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts
and VOTED unanimously.
6th MOTION: X Passed Tabled Tabled
6.e. Recommended Motion: New Course Proposal: Forensics – Level 1
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve adoption of new course
proposal: Forensics - Level 1. The motion was SECONDED by Dr. Regan-Lefebvre and
VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments</u> : Mr. Healy and Mrs. Di Roberts commented.
7th MOTION: X Passed Tabled Tabled
6.f. Recommended Motion: New Course Proposal: AP Physics C: Mechanics – Level AP
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve adoption of new course
proposal: AP Physics C: Mechanics- Level AP. The motion was SECONDED by
Dr. Regan-Lefebvre and VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments</u> : Mrs. Granato and Mr. Carey
commented. Ms. O'Connor also commented.
8th MOTION: _X_ Passed Failed Tabled
6.g. Recommended Motion: Course Modification: Honors Chemistry – Level Honors
Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the course modification:
Honors Chemistry - Level Honors. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts and
VOTED unanimously.
9th MOTION: X Passed Tabled Tabled
6.h. Recommended Motion: Course Deletion: Honors Integrated Science – Level Honors

Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve 1) the deletion of ECE

English 1011 Seminar in Writing through Literature and 2) the adoption of new course proposal:

Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield I	Board of Education approve the deletion of course:
Honors Integrated Science – Level Honors.	The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts
and VOTED unanimously.	

10th MOTION:	X Passed	Failed	Tabled

6. i. <u>Recommended Motion</u>: Course Modification: Add Honors level to Band and Orchestra – Honors

Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the course modification: add Honors level to *Band and Orchestra – Honors*. The motion was SECONDED by Dr. Regan-Lefebvre and VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments</u>: Mrs. Granato, Mr. Carey and Mrs. Di Roberts commented. Ms. O'Connor also commented.

11th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

6.j. <u>Recommended Motion</u>: Course Modification: Name Change from String Ensemble to Orchestra – Level 1

Mr. Healy MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the course modification: Name Change from *String Ensemble* to *Orchestra – Level 1*. The motion was SECONDED by Dr. Regan-Lefebvre and VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments</u>: Mr. Healy commented.

12th MOTION: \_\_\_\_ Passed \_\_\_ X Failed \_\_\_\_ Tabled

**Recommended Motion:** Approval of Contracts with Autumn Transportation

Mr. Cascio MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve a five (5) year contract for In-Town Regular Education; In-Town Special Education; In-Town Magnet; In-Town Parochial; Athletic; Late Bus; Extended School Year; and Field Trip transportation services to Autumn Transportation, commencing on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022; **AND, FURTHER MOVED,** 

that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve a five (5) year contract for Out-of-Town
Special Education and Out-of-Town Vocational School transportation services to Autumn
Transportation, commencing on July 1st, 2022. The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Healy.
<u>Discussion</u> : Mr. Carey, Mr. Cascio, Mr. Healy, and Mr. Kozaka. <u>NOTE</u> : NO VOTE
WAS TAKEN
13th MOTION: <u>X</u> Passed Failed Tabled
Mr. Cascio MOVED to AMEND the above Motion (which combined recommended motions –
Action Items 6. k. and 6. l. on the Wethersfield Board of Education's Tuesday, January 25, 2022
Meeting Agenda) and keep the matters as separate motions (see items 6.k. and 6.l. hereinafter).
The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Healy and VOTED unanimously.
14th MOTION: _X_ Passed Failed Tabled
6k. Recommended Amended Motion: Approval of Contract with Autumn Transportation
Mr. Cascio MOVED, as amended, that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve a five (5)
year contract for In-Town Regular Education; In-Town Special Education; In-Town Magnet;
In-Town Parochial; Athletic; Late Bus; Extended School Year; and Field Trip transportation
services to Autumn Transportation, commencing on July 1st, 2022. The motion was
SECONDED by Mr. Healy and VOTED unanimously. <u>Board Comments:</u> Dr.
Regan-Lefebvre and Mr. Carey commented. Mr. Kozaka also commented.
15th MOTION: X Passed Tabled Tabled
6l. Recommended Amended Motion: Approval of Contract with Autumn Transportation
Mr. Cascio MOVED, as amended, that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve a five (5)
year contract for Out-of-Town Special Education and Out-of-Town Vocational School
transportation services to Autumn Transportation, commencing on July 1st, 2022. The motion

was SECONDED by Mr. Healy and VOTED unanimously.

16th MOTION: X Passed	Failed Tabled
Cascio MOVED to adjourn the meeti	ng at 8:46 p.m. The motion was SECONDED by
Mrs. Granato and VOTED unanimou	sly.
	Respectfully submitted,
	John F. Cascio, Vice-Chairperson – Secretary
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Minutes Recorded by Ellen Goslicki, Recording Secretary

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46 p.m.
TIME EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED: N/A
TIME DELIVERED TO TOWN CLERK: