

LEARN Board of Directors
January 13, 2022
Minutes

1. Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 9:07 a.m.
2. Present: Chester; Dale Bernardoni, East Lyme; Catherine Steel, Groton; Rita Volkmann, LEARN; Kate Ericson, Madison; Mary Ann Connelly, Montville; Robert Mitchell, Norwich; Al Daniels, Preston; Cindy Luty, Region # 17; Jen Favalora, Stonington; Craig Esposito, Waterford; Amanda Gates-Lamothe, Westbrook Zack Hayden

Not Attending and Not Represented: Clinton; Michael Hornyak, Deep River; vacant, East Haddam; Bryan Perry, East Hampton; Amy Ordonez, Essex; Carolyn Rotella, Guilford; Kristen Peck, Ledyard; vacant, New London; Jefferey Hart, North Stonington; Phil Mendolia, Old Saybrook; Jan Furman, Region #18; vacant, Salem; Sean Reith,

Presenters Staff and Other Guests: Michael Belden, Christine Pemberton, Donna Worst
3. Public Comment: no public comment
4. Reading and of Review of Correspondence: Mrs. Ericson shared correspondence from CABE- a thank you note for LEARN's donation of equipment and technical services support at the annual conference
5. Superintendent's Perspective: LEARN CFO Michael Belden presented on the Fiscal State of the Agency
6. Consent Agenda:
 - 6.1 Approval of the Minutes: Regular Business meeting- December 9, 2021
 - 6.2 Approval of the 2021-2022 Budget
 - 6.3 Approval of Grant Applications-
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Daniels, second by Mitchell,
Motion passed unanimously
7. Information from the Executive Director:
 - 7.1 Hiring – New Hires' & Resignations' Data and Trend Reports are included in packet.
 - 7.2 Distributions- Magnet School and Student Support Services Tuition Rates
 - 7.3 Executive Committee meeting minutes –December 17,2021
 - 7.4 Student Support Services meeting minutes- October 22, 2021
 - 7.5 Legislative Updates-
 - 7.6 LEARN Agency updates-
8. Old Business: no old business
9. New Business:
 - 9.1 New Policy, #6159, Students; "Special Education/Planning and Placement Team", First Read
 - 9.2 Revised Policy # 5149, Students; "On Campus Recruitment", First Read
 - 9.3 Proposed 2022-2023 Salary & Benefits
Motion to approve the proposed 2022-2023 salary & benefits package as presented by Mitchell,
second by Connelly
Motion passed unanimously
 - 9.4 Proposed 2022-2023 Executive Committee & Board meeting dates
Motion to accept 2022-2023 Executive Committee & Board meeting dates by Daniels, second by Mitchell

Motion passed unanimously

10. Educational Perspective: Executive Director Kate Ericson- Onboarding Presentation for New Board Members
11. Roundtable/Future Agenda Items: District Spending Plan Highlights for Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds. ESSER funds are to be spent within the 3-year period. Stonington is updating their air conditioning system, Madison is purchasing additional personal protection equipment, Westbrook is funding summer programs, after school support for reading and math, including extra PD, enrichment activities, school wide supplies for wellness and SEL, HVAC improvements and blended learning model classroom furniture.
12. Adjournment: **Motion to adjourn @ 11: 06 am by Steel second by Mitchell**
Motion passed unanimously

MISSION STATEMENT LEARN is a Regional Educational Service Center working with, and for, its member districts to improve the quality of public education for all learners. We provide leadership for teaching and learning; We provide high quality, innovative schools and programs; We identify and deliver customized and cost-effective programs and services; and, we promote collaborative partnerships and regional cooperation.