

LEARN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

November 20, 2020

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44 Hatchetts Hill Road

Old Lyme, CT 06371

Virtual Zoom

MEETING SUMMARY

Present: Craig Esposito; Chair, Tim Hagen; Vice Chair, Robert Mitchell; Fiscal Officer, Rita Volkmann; Secretary, Katherine Ericson; LEARN Executive Director, Cynthia Ritchie; New London Superintendent of Schools

Members not attending Maryann O'Donnell; Clinton Superintendent of Schools,

Guests:

Meeting began at 10:03 a.m.

Agenda

- 1.0 Review December Agenda
- 2.0 Discuss New Policies (*Revised text: LEARN and Board of Directors replacing District & BOE*).
 - 2.1 New Policy # 3543.311; Business and Non-Instructional Operations - Office Services/Records and Reports, "Holds on the Destruction of Electronic and Paper Records" first read (*Regulations included for reference information*)
 - 2.2 New Policy # 3543.31; Business and Non-Instructional Operations - Office Services/Records and Reports, "Electronic Communications Use and Retention", first read (*Regulations included for reference information*)
- 3.0 Minority Teacher Recruitment/ Covid-19 Related Updates

At this time RMMS, Riverside Magnet, CTRA, and MSMHS are currently closed through the Thanksgiving holiday due to staff shortages.

Mrs. Ericson provided an update to the Executive Committee on LEARN's effort to kickoff the Teacher Residency Program. Currently, six districts have indicated an interest in participating in the new program. LEARN is also collaborating with the RESC Alliance to secure funding for the program from the multiple potential sources.
- 4.0 2021-2022 Tuitions
 - 4.1 Magnet School tuitions: Mrs. Ericson proposed to the Executive Committee an tuition increase of 1% for Three Rivers Middle Magnet School and Marine Science Magnet High School. A 1.5% increase is being proposed to the Regional Multicultural Magnet School. No increase is proposed for The Friendship School. These new rates will be brought to the Board for approval.
 - 4.2 Special Education tuitions: No increases in rates for this 2021-2022 school year.
- 5.0 Goodwin Superintendent Search Update

Mrs. Ericson updated the Executive Committee on the next steps for Goodwin University in filling this vacancy.

6.0 Technology Consortium

Ms. Ericson reported that LEARN is making headway in building a new tech consortium for the region.

7.0 Gift notification/approval- Conn College surplus printers offer

Per Board policy #1330/3290; Community Relations, “*Gifts, Grants, and Bequests*”, Mrs. Ericson provided the committee a completed disclosure form regarding Connecticut College’s donation offer of used printers valued at over \$1,000 which requires a signature from the Board Chair. The used printers will be distributed to LEARN families who are interested.

Meeting Adjourned 10:5 a.m.