

LEARN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 26, 2021

8:30-10:00

Virtual meeting via Zoom: login information below

LEARN

44 Hatchetts Hill Road

Old Lyme, CT 06371

Present: Craig Esposito; Chair, Tim Hagen; Vice Chair, Rita Volkman; Secretary, Robert Mitchell; Fiscal Officer Katherine Ericson; LEARN Executive Director,

Members not attending: Maryann O'Donnell; Clinton Superintendent of Schools, Cynthia Ritchie; New London Superintendent of Schools

Guests:

Meeting began at 8:37 a.m.

Agenda

1.0 Review March Agenda

The Executive Committee reviewed and approved the draft agenda.

2.0 Severance Pay

Kate Ericson discussed the option of another MOU with the LEA regarding the waiver of deadlines for retirement announcements. Due to the on-going pandemic the Executive Board agreed it was reasonable to work with the union on the MOU.

3.0 Hatchetts Hill Roof Project

Kate Ericson updated the Board on the status of Hatchetts Hill roof. The roof needs to be done. Mike Belden LEARN's Chief Financial Officer has submitted 3 quotes for design and planning of the Hatchetts Hill Roof project with a recommendation to select Silver/Petrucci and Associates.

Motion was made to award the bid to Silver/Petrucci and Associates by Tim Hagen, seconded by Bob Mitchell. Motion passed 4-0.

4.0 Appointment—Director of Teaching and Learning

Kate Ericson informed the Executive Committee of the successful search for LEARN's new Director of Teaching and Learning. After an extensive interview process, LEARN selected Linda Darcy as the top candidate. Linda is a seasoned staff developer who has worked for decades at CREC. Her expertise in equity, cultural competence, and universal design of learning will be an asset to the agency and region.

Motion to appoint Linda Darcy as Director of Teaching and Learning and to recommend placement on the Administrator's Salary schedule at Step 4: \$125,996, by Craig Esposito, seconded by Rita Volkman. Motion passed 4-0.

5.0 Salary Adjustments-

Kate Ericson shared with the Board her request to adjust the salary of both the Chief Finance Officer and the Associate Executive Director. The leaders in both of these positions have excelled in their work over the last 18 months. The production and services of the LEARN have expanded under their short tenures.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:56 a.m.