

MINUTES ACES GOVERNING BOARD Special Meeting Thursday, August 13, 2020, Zoom Meeting at Noon

Governing Board: Fran DiGiorgi: Ansonia, Edward Maher: Bethany, Ellen Michaels:

Branford, Laura Harris: Derby, Thomas Ariola representing Lynn Campo: Hamden, Ethel Grant: Naugatuck, Jana Balsamo: North Branford, Dorothy Logan: North Haven, Susan Riccio: Orange, Robyn Berke: Regional District #5, Norman Hicks: Regional District #13, Mike Votto: Wallingford, Patricia

Libero: West Haven, Roberta Leonard: Wolcott

ACES: Steven Cook, Thomas Danehy, Timothy Howes, William Rice, Evelyn

Rossetti-Ryan, Olga Simoes, Dee Colson

Not Present: Cheshire, East Haven, Meriden, Middletown, Milford, New Haven,

Oxford, District #16, Seymour, Waterbury, Woodbridge

1.Welcome/Call to Order

Norman Hicks called the ACES Governing Board to order at 12:10pm to allow more time for members to join.

2.Pledge of Allegiance

Roberta Leonard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.Review of ACES School Reopening Plan

William Rice ensued a discussion concerning the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) requirements and guidelines.

Tim Howes spoke concerning grant funding for Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) Part 1, as well as Part 2. ACES has also applied for FEMA made available for schools for COVID funding.

Olga Simoes discussed PPE supplies for our schools and that we are on schedule to have all of our supplies within the schools as well as helping other schools purchase PPE supplies at a volume price. The only issue with the supplies at this moment is there's a shortage of gloves which are not coming in as quickly as the other equipment but it should resolve itself relatively soon.

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Steve Cook reported on the feedback that was received from the ACES reopening schools survey. The survey generated concern's employees had to reach out to HR on returning to the classroom, child care issues as well as COVID health issues.

4. Possible action to approve ACES School Reopening Plan

Norm Hicks asked the Board to approve ACES 2020 reopening plan including calendar, day care rates to be devised with Care for Kids.

Susan Riccio motioned to approved, Roberta Leonard seconded.

All in favor: Passed unanimously

Opposed: None Abstained: None

Norm Hicks made a motion to adjourn at 12:50 PM. Motion was unanimous.