# **SPECIAL BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: October 25, 2023 LOCATION: Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria SUBJECT: Board of Education Meeting 185 Damascus Road, Branford, CT 06405

ATTENDANCE			
HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION	
Y	Peter Berdon, Chair	Board of Education	
Y	Ellen Michaels, Vice-Chair	Board of Education	
Y	Meredith Gaffney, Secretary	Board of Education	
N	Cristina Cantu	Board of Education	
Y	Meaghan DeLucia	Board of Education	
Y	John R. Prins	Board of Education	
Y	Dr. Tim Raynor	Board of Education	
Y	Laura Troidle	Board of Education	
Y	Marie Watson	Board of Education	
Y	Dr. Christopher Tranberg, Superintendent	Central Office	
Y	Allison Moran, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office	
Y	Donald Neel, Chief Operating Officer	Central Office	
Others pres	ent:		

# **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL TO ORDER

**01** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by BOE Chair, Peter Berdon.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

02 To consider and if appropriate, vote to accept the Branford Education Association (BEA) contract.

A brief summary for the BEA contract of following was provided; BOE Reps and committee members were – Peter Berdon, John Prins, Meghan DeLucia, Chris Tranberg, Don Neel, Connie Turkington, Ali Moran, Pam DeLise/Harry DiAdamo, the contract length (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027), the wage increases in all 3 years, steps, signing bonus for competitive areas, stipend increases, new activities, a stipend committee, insurance cost share over the three years, teacher planning time and class coverage, an additional day for teacher orientation, interschool travel reimbursement, an updated nondiscrimination provision, notice of intent to return from leave (notice by April 1), teacher work day (not exceed 8 hours), internal teacher vacancy notices and a streamlined process for school calendar. Mr. Berdon concluded the discussion by stating that the committee was unanimous on both sides and that the contract was resolved with the services of a mediator.

MOTION (DeLucia/Prins) to accept the Branford Education Association contract. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

# **ADJOURN**

**03** MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to adjourn this evening's meeting. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Berdon adjourned the meeting at 6:14 PM with no action taken.

Respectfully submitted, Meredith Gaffney, Secretary Prepared by, Kerry Eyrich