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Education Committee Meeting Meeting Minutes

Monday October 3rd, 2022

The Education Committee of the Branford Representative Town Meeting met on Monday October 3rd, 2022 at Walsh Intermediate School (cafeteria). In attendance were committee members Representatives: Maresca, Hynes, Brooks and Prete. RTM representatives: Sires, Conklin, Healy, Barron and Twohill. BOE members Watson and Chairman Berdon; and Superintendent Hernandez. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

1. Citizen comments

Greg Jerolman, Branford citizen, spoke about line items in the BOE budget.

2. Update from BOE Chairman / Superintendent

BOE Chairman Berdon and Superintendent Hernandez gave a very thorough presentation on Branford Public schools detailing:

- The Boards Constitutional and Statutorial duties
- BPS Mission
- Professional learning - goals for creating a safe and supportive schools
- Curriculum Revision - implementation and alignment to content standards
- Snapshot of current enrollments - BHS, WIS and elementary
- Snapshot of current employees - certified and non-certified staff
- Enrollment studies - current and projected trends

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- Update on the Superintendent search and planning for transitioning.
- Completed capital projects

- Timeframe for both certified and non-certified labor contracts
- Communication enhancements - social media footprint, Website redesign and streamlined messaging.
- BPS summer programs and enrollments

There was an open discussion between the committee and BOE Chairman and Superintendent to continue collaboration and keeping the BOE and RTM engaged in working together.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Prete, Chair
October 4, 2022