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Meeting Minutes Joint Education/Youth Services Committee

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

6:00 PM

Via Teleconference

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Minutes

9-2-20

Joint Education/Youth & Youth Services Committee

Education Chair Ortiz and Youth Services Chair K. Edwards, called the meeting to order at about 6 p.m. via video conference. A recording of the meeting is online at <https://bit.ly/31QWajO>

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Education Committee members present were Alders Winter, Sabin, and C. Rodriguez.

Youth & Youth Services Committee members present were Walker-Myers and Wingate.

Non-committee-member Alders present were Furlow, DeCola, Festa, and Ferraro-Santana.

Board of Alders staff present were Albert Lucas and Michael Mercier.

(1) WORKSHOP WITH NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO REVIEW PLANS TO REOPEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN NEW HAVEN.

Public Schools staff present were Ilene Tracey, Superintendent, Fountain Street; Keisha Redd-Hannans, Deputy Superintendent, Meadow Street; Paul Whyte, Assistant Superintendent, Osborn Street; and Typhanie Jackson, Director of Student Services, Wintergreen Avenue, Hamden

Board of Education members present were: Yesenia Rivera, President; Darnell Goldson, West Hills Road; and Matthew Wilcox, Forest Road.

School officials said there will be a remote-learning period of up to 10 weeks followed by hybrid schooling with some physical attendance. They discussed the thousands of computers, hot spots, internet accounts, and mesh networks that will be supplied to students. There will be online orientation sessions to reconnect students and teachers. Teacher evaluations will continue as usual.

In response to Alder Walker-Myers, the school officials discussed cleaning and sanitation for all schools. Maintaining stocks of cleaning supplies and hygiene items will be a priority. There will be special precautions for students with compromised immune systems.

In response to Alder Sabin, the superintendent said school start time will continue to be 7 a.m. There was also a discussion of tracking and outreach for students who are not participating in online learning. About 10 percent of students are “not engaged” and about 35 percent “partly engaged.”

In response to Alder Wingate, the officials said breakfast and lunch will be supplied. Parents can pick up the food at 11 a.m. at various school locations.

In response to Alder Festa, there was a discussion of temperature taking of students, signage, and air-filtration systems.

COMMITTEE ACTION: None.

The committee voted to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mercier

Legislative Aide
Office of Legislative Services

(Board of Alders Notice New Haven) The Education and Youth Services Committee of the Board of Alders will meet on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., via video conference at <https://bit.ly/2C366N7> and by phone at (646) 558 8656 Webinar ID: 954 9254 2227, to hear and act on the following items (for required password contact publictestimony@newhavenct.gov):

- A WORKSHOP WITH NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO REVIEW PLANS TO REOPEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN NEW HAVEN.

Per Order: Hon. Jody Ortiz, and Hon. Kimberly Edwards, Co-Chairs;
Attest: Hon. Michael Smart, City Clerk

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