

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PLAINVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT  
TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021**

**Special Meeting Topics:** ► **PUBLIC AND ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
**Discussion and Anticipated Approval of CSEU SEIU Local 2001  
Paraprofessional/Tutor Contract**

► **PUBLIC SESSION**  
**Discussion and Anticipated Appointment of Middle School of Plainville  
Assistant Principal**

**Place and Time:** Virtual Zoom Meeting

**6:00 PM**

**Members Present:** Brent Davenport, Deborah Hardy, Nicole Palmieri, Crystal St. Lawrence, Becky Tyrrell, Kathy Wells and Foster White

**Also Present:** Steven LePage, Superintendent of Schools, Atty. Kenneth Weinstock, Kainen, Escalera and McHale, Labor and Employment Lawyers, Sam Adlerstein, Director of Business and Operations, Vicki Trzcinski, Director of Special Services, Kevin Ross, IT Director and Joan Calistro, Recorder of Minutes

**Members Absent:** Rebecca Martinez and Laurie Peterson

**Early Departures:** None

Board Chair Becky Tyrrell called the special meeting of the Plainville Board of Education to order at 6:03 PM.

Mr. LePage stated that the purpose of this meeting is to review, discuss and possibly approve the Paraprofessional/Tutor contract for 2021-2024 and to appoint a new Assistant Principal of the Middle School of Plainville. He then introduced Atty. Kenneth Weinstock who gave a brief overview of the changes in the Para/Tutor contract.

**A MOTION WAS THEN MADE BY FOSTER WHITE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING ANY PERTINENT MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CSEU SEIU LOCAL 2001 (PARA/TUTOR) CONTRACT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY NICOLE PALMIERI. THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 7-0.**

**A MOTION WAS ALSO MADE BY FOSTER WHITE TO INVITE STEVEN LEPAGE, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, ATTY. KENNETH WEINSTEIN, SAM ADLERSTEIN, DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS, AND VICKI TRZCINSKI, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES, KEVIN ROSS, IT DIRECTOR AND JOAN CALISTRO, RECORDER OF MINUTES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. NICOLE PALMIERI SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 7-0. The Board then entered into Executive Session.**

Atty. Weinstein then reviewed substantive changes to the Para/Tutor contract for 2021-2024. The Board then discussed and asked questions regarding some of the changes that were made.

Mr. LePage stated that this past year has been a revolving door with regard to resignations of paraprofessionals and that students need consistency. This contract will now be comparable with other Towns, making Plainville more competitive. Ms. Trzcinski stated that quite a few paraprofessionals have left Plainville to go to other towns where salaries are higher.

It was the consensus of the Board to exit Executive Session.

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**


**A MOTION WAS THEN MADE BY FOSTER WHITE TO APPROVE THE NEW CSEU SEIU LOCAL 2001 (PARA/TUTOR) CONTRACT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2024 AS PRESENTED. CRYSTAL ST. LAWRENCE SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 7-0.**

The Board was then asked to appoint Ryan Cornelius as the Middle School of Plainville's new Assistant Principal. (Mr. Cornelius was interviewed by the Board on July 12, 2021).

**A MOTION WAS THEN MADE BY FOSTER WHITE TO APPOINT MR. RYAN CORNELIUS AS THE NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL OF PLAINVILLE EFFECTIVE MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021. NICOLE PALMIERI SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED 7-0.**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY NICOLE PALMIERI TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY FOSTER WHITE. THE MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Joan Calistro  
Recorder of Minutes