

PLAINVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting Title: Board Development for Work

Date: Monday, March 14, 2022

Time: 5:30 PM

Place: Plainville High School Learning Commons

Attendees: Rachel Buchanan; Cassandra Clark; Lori Consalvo, Board Chair; Deborah Hardy, Board Vice Chair; Rebecca Martinez; Laurie Peterson; Crystal St. Lawrence; Becky Tyrrell and Foster White

Also Present: Nick Caruso, CABE Facilitator; Steven LePage, Superintendent; David Levenduski, Asst. Superintendent; and Sam Adlerstein, Director of Business and Operations

Members Absent: None

Early Departures: None

Chair Lori Consalvo called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Mr. Nick Caruso from the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) is here this evening to facilitate.

Mr. Caruso asked what the expectations were of each Board Member. The results included:

To work more efficiently together
Collaboration
More effort in acceptance of ideas
Agree to disagree
Diversity of thought
Robert's Rules
Professionalism
Respect
Listen to each other
Phones turned off during meetings
Opportunities for candid conversations
Perception

Mr. Caruso then asked board members to complete a fill in the blank Board Member Reflection Worksheet. Mr. Caruso stated that if each member were to leave the board today or retire, how would they like to be remembered or what would they like people to say about you? The answers included:

Children received what was needed
I attended all meetings and kept children's needs in mind
Renovation of schools
Acquired resources for best education of students
Doing a job no one else wanted and responsible for resources and fiscal action

Working collaboratively
Successfully educated students
Gave students a positive experience with support

He then asked if there were an impediment in allowing these statements to come to fruition?

Need to set boundaries
Must have active listening
Must have a unified goal
Must have trust
Must be patient

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BECKY TYRRELL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CASSANDRA CLARK. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joan Calistro", is written over a horizontal line.

Joan Calistro
Recorder of Minutes