January 9, 2017 Staples High School

## WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION

# \*AGENDA

(Agenda Subject to Modification in Accordance with Law)

# **PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

7:30 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria B (Room 301)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

# PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (15 MINUTES)

MINUTES: December 4, 2016; December 5, 2016; December 19, 2016; and January 3, 2017

# **DISCUSSION:**

FY 2017 and FY 2018 with Board of Education Insurance Mr. Elio Longo
 Consultant, Lockton Companies LLC
 Mr. Tim Hasselman

2. Discussion of Bus Safety Measures, pages 7-13 Ms. Sandra Evangelista

3. FY 2018 Proposed Budget of the Superintendent of Schools Dr. Colleen Palmer

Mr. Elio Longo

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

1. Update on Mold Remediation Mr. Elio Longo

## **ADJOURNMENT**

\*A 2/3 vote is required to go to executive session, to add a topic to the agenda of a regular meeting, or to start a new topic after 10:30 p.m. The meeting can also be viewed on cable TV on channel 78; AT&T channel 99 and by video stream @www.westport.k12.ct.us PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WELCOME USING THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

- Comment on non-agenda topics will occur during the first 15 minutes except when staff or guest presentations are scheduled.
- Board will not engage in dialogue on non-agenda items.
- Public may speak as agenda topics come up for discussion or information.
- Speakers on non-agenda items are limited to 2 minutes each, except by prior arrangement with chair.
- Speakers on agenda items are limited to 3 minutes each, except by prior arrangement with chair.
- Speakers must give name and use microphone.
- Responses to questions may be deferred if answers not immediately available.
- Public comment is normally not invited for topics listed for action after having been publicly discussed at one or more meetings.

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Meeting: December 4, 2016

# WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES - DRAFT 1

**Board Members Present:** Administrators Present:

Michael Gordon Chair Colleen Palmer, Superintendent

Jeannie Smith Vice Chair Elaine Whitney Secretary

Mark Mathias Karen Kleine Vik Muktavaram Candace Savin

PUBLIC CALL TO ORDER: 5:06 p.m., Westport Town Hall, Conference Room 307/309

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Evaluation of the Performance of Individual Members of the Board of Education

Mark Mathias moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Evaluation of the Performance of Individual Members of the Board of Education; seconded by Vik Muktavaram and passed unanimously. Elaine Whitney arrived at 5:16 p.m. Dr. Palmer attended at the invitation of the Board. The executive session adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION: 8:21 p.m., Westport Town Hall, Conference Room 307/309

Update on District and Strategic Planning

**ADJOURNMENT:** Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:48 p.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary (Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)

# Meeting: December 19, 2016

## **WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:** Administrators Present:

Michael Gordon\* Chair Colleen Palmer Superintendent of Schools Jeannie Smith\* Vice Chair Natalie Carrignan Director of Technology

Elaine Whitney\* Secretary
Karen Kleine
Vik Muktavaram\*
Candice Savin\*

Absent:

Mark Mathias

PUBLIC SESSION: 7:31 p.m., Town Hall, Conference Room 307/309 (Conference Call)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

## PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

Acceptance of Gifts for the Westport Permanent Art Collection

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with gratitude and appreciation the following gifts, which are to become a part of the Westport Public Schools Permanent Art Collection:

- 5 works of art donated by Ann Chernow, with a total value of \$7,450.00;
- 2 works of art donated by Leonard Everett Fisher, with a total value of \$20,000.00;
- 17 works of art donated by Ann Sheffer, with a total value of \$23, 685.00;
- 1 work of art donated by Richard Stein, valued at \$2,200.00;
- 4 works of art donated by Laura Mills, with a total value of \$600.00; and
- 47 works of art donated by Mark Greenstein, with a total value of \$16,100.00.

MOTION: Michael Gordon SECOND: Karen Kleine

**RESULT:** Passed Unanimously **VOTE:** 6-0 (vote taken by roll call)

**ADJOURNMENT:** Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 7:41 p.m; seconded by Vik Muktavaram and passed unanimously (vote taken by roll call).

<sup>\*</sup> Participated by conference call

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary (Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)

Meeting: January 3, 2017

## **WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**Board Members Present: Administrators Present:** 

Colleen Palmer Michael Gordon Chair Superintendent of Schools

Jeannie Smith Vice Chair Elio Longo Dir. of School Business Operations Elaine Whitney Secretary Jennifer Allen Dir. of Secondary Ed. & Research Karen Kleine

Julie Droller Dir. of Elementary Education

Vik Muktavaram John Bayers Dir. of Human Resources & General Admin.

Candice Savin Michael Rizzo **Director of Pupil Services** 

Absent:

Mark Mathias

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:36 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria (Room 301)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

**DISCUSSION/ACTION:** 

Gifts

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts with great appreciation two basses from Barbara McKechnie, valued at \$3,000 each, which will be placed at Green's Farms Elementary School to be used in their orchestras.

MOTION: Michael Gordon Karen Kleine SECOND:

RESULT: Passed Unanimously

VOTE: 6-0

# **DISCUSSION:**

Executive Summary: FY 2018 Budget of the Superintendent of Schools

Discussion of Capital Projects in Rank Order of Priority

# **UPDATE:**

Health and Medical Insurance Revenues and Expenses; Projected Year-End Balance in Health Reserve Account,

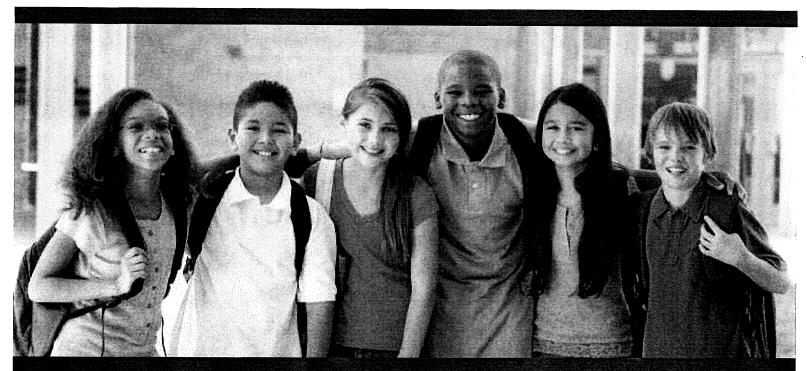
ADJOURNMENT: Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 10:00 p.m; seconded by Vik Muktavaram and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary (Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)

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# Safeguarding Your Children with Photo Enforcement Solutions

Deter and monitor vehicles that illegally pass school buses

Thousands of drivers speed past school bus stop signs every day, endangering children and distracting bus drivers. How can you protect your students?

REDFLEX Student Guardian<sup>™</sup> – a fully automated photo enforcement solution for monitoring and deterring drivers who illegally pass school buses, risking the safety and security of some 26 million children nationwide who rely on school bus transportation.

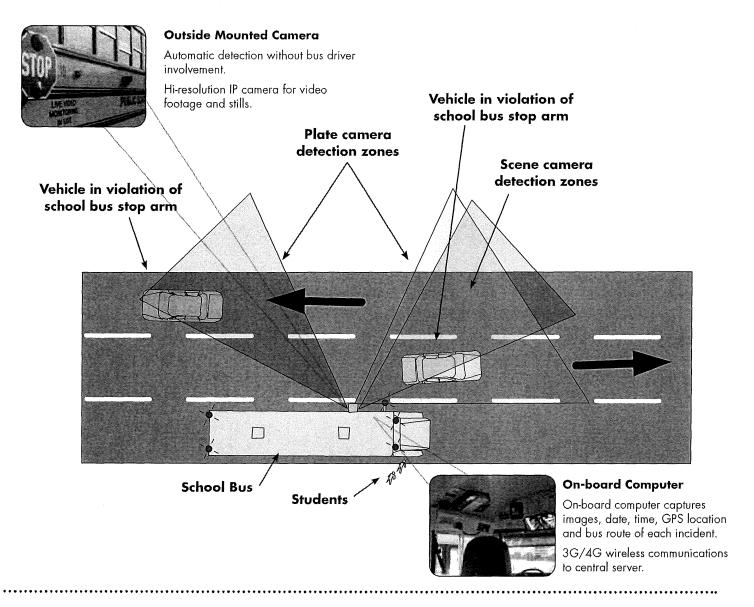
# The Student Guardian Advantage

- No upfront costs
- 100% violator funded
- Potential to generate surplus funds
- Turnkey, ready-to-use solution
- 24/7 customer support
- Legally defensible

- 100% compliant with all local, state, county and federal laws
- Industry-leading detection and data capture technology
- Dynamic back office providing violation verification, support and maintenance



# Student Guardian: How it Works



# Did You Know?

28 states found that more than 88,000 vehicles illegally passed 100,000 school buses in just one day. That represents more than 16 million illegal passes nationally in a typical 180-day school year.

\*2012 study conducted by the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services

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# Student Guardian: Program Features

REDFLEX Student Guardian™ is much more than a safety camera system. We offer an unrivaled, holistic approach that encompasses all aspects of the photo enforcement process, from data capture and violation verification to ongoing maintenance and comprehensive customer support.

# Leading-Edge Detection & Recording Technology

Redflex's safety camera systems are equipped with industry-leading SMARTcam™ software, providing unmatched functionality and flexibility:

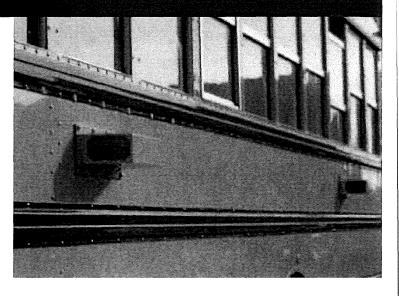
- Cameras capture multiple viewpoints across multiple lanes, even in low light or poor weather conditions
- System automatically detects vehicles in the violation zone – no action is required by the bus driver
- SMARTscene<sup>™</sup> full-motion video system provides situational awareness before and after each incident

# **Highly Secure Data Capture**

Our cameras instantly capture a variety of data to effectively evaluate incidents and determine whether violations occurred, such as:

- Hi-resolution still images, including a wide angle image of the incident scene and a zoomed image of the license plate
- Approximately 12 seconds of HD video detailing the incident
- Date, time, location and bus route of each incident

All data is digitally signed, encrypted and secured at the moment of capture. It's immediately transmitted to a central processing server at Redflex, preventing interception and manipulation of the evidence while ensuring the highest level of protection to the chain of custody. All original images and data are secured in a data vault for safekeeping.



# **Legally Compliant Violation Processing & Citation Mailing**

**Triple Verification:** All incident data undergoes a comprehensive, triple verification process before we submit evidence packages to law enforcement for final review and potential approval.

**Custom Criteria:** Each client can determine the factors that Redflex processing specialists review – we don't use a one-size-fits-all approach.

**In-House Mailroom Services:** Unlike competitors, Redflex prints and mails all documentation related to violations. We don't disrupt the chain of custody, and we maintain control of all data throughout the violation process.

Did You Know?
On average, Redflex processes
more than 1 million violations a
month and maintains a
92% citation capture rate.

# Student Guardian: Program Features (cont.)

# Multi-Lingual Call Center, Online Support Services for Violators & Cash Payment Options

Redflex manages violator communications and payments through a multi-lingual call center that's open 11 hours a day, five days a week, providing the public with an avenue to get their questions answered. We also maintain an online support center at www.PhotoNotice.com where violators can view the images and video associated with their violations, and make payments. We can also provide cash payment locations to make the settlement of a citation more convenient.

# Non-Intrusive Installation & Ongoing Maintenance Support

You never need to touch the equipment. Redflex handles all installations and maintenance throughout the life of the program including:

- Real-time monitoring, remote maintenance and statistical reporting by our Network Operations Center at Redflex headquarters, which is staffed 24/7
- Systems diagnostics and preventive maintenance on a daily basis using a variety of proprietary tools and technologies
- SMARTscene Live!<sup>™</sup> provides live streaming videos and video recording capabilities for added monitoring support beyond photo enforcement, including criminal activity

# **Insightful System Analytics**

Redflex provides valuable traffic data packages and customized reports with detailed statistics you need to effectively manage your fleet. All data is available to our clients 24/7 through a secure online connection, including maintenance reports, vehicle and violation counts, issuance rates and system performance.

# **Dedicated Account Representatives & 24/7 Support**

All clients have dedicated account representatives who work with them on a regular basis to make sure the program is functioning smoothly and continually achieving goals. Customer support is also available 24/7 through the Help Desk at our Network Operations Center, which is equipped to quickly diagnose and resolve virtually any issue.

# Comprehensive Court Support Packages & Expert Witness Testimony

If needed, Redflex will provide comprehensive adjudication and court support services, including the development of court file transfer interfaces, court training modules and court evidence packages. Additionally, we provide expert witness testimony and testimony training for all clients.

Did You Know? Less than 1% of all photo-issued citations are challenged nationwide.

# **Get Started!**

(855) 435-7662 toconnor@redflex.com RedflexStudentGuardian.com





# Media Fact Sheet: Student Guardian in Connecticut

The Town Of Stratford Announces The Student Guardian Program

#### **Solution Overview:**

REDFLEX Student Guardian<sup>™</sup> is the most comprehensive, fully automated photo enforcement solution for monitoring and deterring drivers who illegally pass school buses, risking the safety and security of some 26 million children nationwide who rely on school bus transportation daily.

## How It Works:

- (1) The safety camera system is installed on the front and rear driver's side of a school bus. It monitors traffic while the bus' stop arm and amber lights are displayed, leaving the bus driver free to focus on students. A camera is triggered to capture data as a vehicle passes the bus while children are loading or unloading.
- (2) Evidence of violations, including high-definition video and high-resolution images, is encrypted and secured at the time of capture by the local system.
- (3) Following a comprehensive review process, secure evidence packages are electronically submitted to local law enforcement to determine whether a citation is warranted.
- (4) Once approved by law enforcement, the evidence file is processed and a court package is created. The citation is mailed to the violator.

## **Safety Benefits:**

- \* **Deterrent:** The mere presence of a Student Guardian camera system serves as a deterrent to breaking the law. Motorists considering the gamble are likely to abide by the law when they see the cameras.
- \* Accountability: Many drivers pass buses because they know they can get away with it, or they do not realize children may be loading and unloading. Automated enforcement increases accountability, enabling officers to cite violators based on photo and video evidence.
- \* Police Force Multiplier: It's unrealistic to think officers can trail every school bus on every school day, and nab each driver who chooses to ignore the stop arm. This technology serves as a "police force multiplier," allowing officers to refocus their energies on other high-priority tasks while ensuring the safety of school bus routes.
- \*Community Awareness: Community outreach surrounding the installation of Student Guardian helps raise awareness about all facets of school bus safety. Parents, children and drivers in general are more cautious on the roadways and reminded that their actions can have serious repercussions.

# **Stratford Program:**

\*4 buses for Stratford Public Schools are currently equipped with Student

Guardian

\* Route analysis is underway to determine which routes are the most problematic and how many more buses should be outfitted with Student Guardian

# **CT Programs:**

- \* 13 municipalities and school districts operate Student Guardian programs
- \* 2 municipalities are currently conducting pilots

## **CT School Bus Stats:**

- \* 6,700 school buses statewide
- \* 500,000 students ride school buses each school day

(According to the Connecticut School Transportation Association)

\* 2,000 children have the added layer of protection provided by Student

Guardian

# Safety Stats:

# **Recent Accidents (Nationwide)**

#### November 2012 –

 Ellport, PA: 17-year old Travis Aradi was struck while boarding his school bus before school.

#### October 2012 –

- **Greenville, SC:** A 10-year old fourth grader was struck and injured while crossing the road to board his stopped school bus.
- Coats, NC: 12-year old, Adam Kempf died after being struck by a vehicle while trying to board a school bus.
- Kissimmee, FL: A 16-year old boy was struck by a car violating the stop arm as he attempted to board his school bus. He is currently in critical condition.
- Summersville, WV: an 8-year old girl suffered a broken leg and foot when she was struck by a motorist while crossing the street after getting off her school bus.
- Princeton, NJ: A high school student was hit by a car and injured on the morning of 10.22 while crossing Sherborne County Road to board his school bus.

## September 2012 –

- Charlotte, NC: a 4-year old Kaayliyah Miller had her foot run over while trying to board her school bus, she is now afraid to ride the bus.
- Whitehall Township, PA: A 5-year old boy was struck by the left side of a car's front bumper, then rolled under the stopped bus.
- Lafayette, IN: 17 and 12 year old Starrett siblings, Jasmine and Kyle, were injured in a hit-and-run while boarding their school bus.
- \* School bus safety statistics from the National Association for Pupil Transportation: <a href="http://www.naptfoundation.org/facts.html">http://www.naptfoundation.org/facts.html</a>
- \* School bus statistics from the Connecticut School Transportation Association: <a href="http://www.ctschoolbus.org/resources.php#Statistics">http://www.ctschoolbus.org/resources.php#Statistics</a>

\* According to a 2012 study by the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services, 28 states found that more than 88,000 vehicles illegally passed 100,000 school buses in just one day. That represents more than 16 million illegal passes nationally in a typical 180-day school year.

Funding:

There isn't an upfront capital investment for school districts. The Student

Guardian program is fully funded by violators.

**Company Overview:** 

Redflex Traffic Systems®, Inc., a leading provider of road safety technology, operates more than 2,000 photo enforcement systems in more than 250 cities throughout the United States and Canada. With continuous development of new safety products, Redflex has been helping to reduce collisions and save

lives for more than 25 years.

**Connect:** 

Product site: www.redflexstudentguardian.com

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