Dr. Colleen Palmer

Mr. Elio Longo

#### 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: November 21, 2016, pages 1-2

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION:

1. Changes to 2017-2018 School Calendar, pages 3-5 (Encl.) Dr. Colleen Palmer

### **DISCUSSION:**

1. FY 2018 Preliminary Budget Discussions with Board of Finance, RTM Education, and Finance Committee Chairs

# 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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## WESTPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

#### **Board Members Present:**

Michael Gordon Chair Jeannie Smith Vice Chair Elaine Whitney Secretary Mark Mathias Karen Kleine Vik Muktavaram Candice Savin

#### **Administrators Present:**

Colleen Palmer Elio Longo Jennifer Allen Julie Droller John Bayers Michael Rizzo Superintendent of Schools Dir. of School Business Operations Dir. of Secondary Ed. & Research Dir. of Elementary Education Dir. of Human Resources & General Admin. Director of Pupil Services

PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 7:38 p.m., Staples High School, Cafeteria (Room 301)

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Dr. Colleen Palmer presided until the election of the Chair, who presided for the remainder of the meeting.

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education elects Michael Gordon to serve as Chair of the Westport Board of Education, said election effective until the next annual Board of Education election of officers.

MOTION:Jeannie SmithSECOND:Vik MuktavaramRESULT:Passed UnanimouslyVOTE:6-0-1 (Michael Gordon abstaining)

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education elects Jeannie Smith to serve as Vice Chair of the Westport Board of Education, said election effective until the next annual Board of Education election of officers.

MOTION:Michael GordonSECOND:Mark MathiasRESULT:Passed UnanimouslyVOTE:7-0

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education elects Elaine Whitney to serve as Secretary of the Westport Board of Education, said election effective until the next annual Board of Education election of officers.

MOTION:	Mark Mathias
SECOND:	Karen Kleine
RESULT:	Passed Unanimously
VOTE:	6-0-1 (Elaine Whitney abstaining)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION

# PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

**MINUTES:** Elaine Whitney moved to approve the minutes of November 7, 2016; seconded by Michael Gordon and passed unanimously.

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

MetLife Demutualization Shares

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes either Elio Longo, Jr., acting as Director of School Business Operations, or Gary Conrad, acting as Town Finance Director, to submit a direction to sell letter to Computershare LLC for the sale of 3,194 MetLife shares belonging to the Westport Board of Education at the then current market price.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent or her designated agent to deposit the funds received from said sale of MetLife shares into the Board of Education's Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

MOTION:	Elaine Whitney
SECOND:	Michael Gordon
RESULT:	Passed Unanimously
VOTE:	7-0

Changes to 2017-2018 School Calendar

Vote deferred by consensus until the next Board meeting.

#### DISCUSSION:

Stepping Stones Preschool Program Overview and Highlights

#### UPDATES:

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** Michael Gordon moved to adjourn at 9:21 p.m.; seconded by Jeannie Smith and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Whitney, Secretary (Minutes written by Lisa Marriott)

# WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-2018 APPROVED MARCH 28, 2016

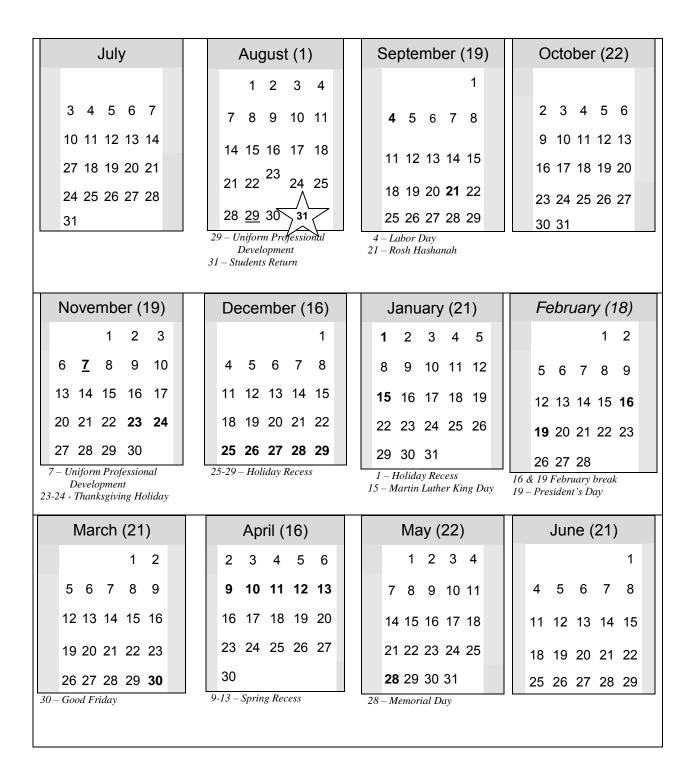
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# C.E.S. Regional Uniform School Calendar 2017-2018



**Note:** State law requires that public schools operate 180 days for students. **Key:** 

Bold = No School

Underline = Uniform Professional Development Days – no students Parenthesis Indicate total number of available student days in month Uniform School Calendar allows each district 5 flex days

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