

TO: CREC Council and Superintendents
FROM: Greg J. Florio, Ed.D.
DATE: May 15, 2020

CREC
Council Meeting
5/20/20
11:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
ZOOM Meeting
(Info to follow in the Appointment Invite)

COUNCIL MEMBERS	CREC ATTENDEES
Jackie Blea - Avon	Greg Florio - CREC
Traci Sisti- Berlin	Sandy Cruz-Serrano -CREC
Donald Harris – Bloomfield	Tim Sullivan -CREC
Chris Davey - Bolton	Aura Alvarado - CREC
Christopher Wilson - Bristol	Deb Borrero – CREC
John Scheideler - Canton	Deb Richards- CREC
Joyce Hall - Enfield	Regina Terrell - CREC
Kate Carey-Truell – East Windsor	Jeff Ivory - CREC
Mark Fiorentino - Granby	Sue Bassett - CREC
Merrill Gay – New Britain	Alisa Collins - CREC
John Vecchitto – Region #10	Heather Tartaglia - CREC
Laurie Boske – Rocky Hill	Mason Thrall - CREC
Lydia Tedone - Simsbury	Elsie Gonzalez -CREC
Anne Kirkpatrick - Somers	Sarah Vocca - CREC
Bobbie Hughes-Granato - Wethersfield	Kristina Jordan -CREC
David Furie - Windsor	Flor DeHoyos - CREC

	Elaina Brachman - CREC
	Darlene Wolliston – CREC
	Tom Sullivan – CREC
	Alisa Collins - CREC
	Patricia McCarthy – CABA
	Namakula Edwards – Parent Senate Representative

I. CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL of MINUTES By Chris Wilson at 12:26 pm

A. 4/15/20 Council Meeting

II. MOTION: Motion to approve the April 15, 2020 minutes made Don Harris, seconded Laurie Boske, and passed unanimously. The following Council members abstained: Joyce Hall.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

IV. PRESENTATIONS to COUNCIL

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee (Chris Wilson gave update as Merrill Gay was having technical issues) met on Wednesday, June 10th to discuss council exhibits to be presented later for approval in this meeting.

Policy Committee – Lydia Tedone gave update on new, revised and retired policies that will be up for approval later in this council meeting.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. 2019-2020 Revised Programs

- 1) Farmington Valley Diagnostic (Attachment A)
- 2) Early Childhood Education (Attachment B)
- 3) CREC Academy of Aerospace and Engineering (Attachment C)
- 4) Civic Leadership High School (Attachment D)
- 5) CREC Two Rivers Magnet Middle School (Attachment E)
- 6) CREC International Magnet School for Global Citizenship (Attachment F)
- 7) CREC Reggio Magnet Schools of the Arts (Attachment G)
- 8) CREC Academy of Science and Innovation (Attachment H)
- 9) CREC Discovery Academy (Attachment I)
- 10) CREC Ana Grace Academy of the Arts Elementary Magnet (Attachment J)

11) CREC Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary (Attachment K)

B. 2020-2021 Continuing Programs

- 1) Soundbridge (Attachment L)
- 2) Soundbridge Summer School (Attachment M)
- 3) Polaris Center (Attachment N)
- 4) Early Intervention Birth to Three (Attachment O)
- 5) Hartford Transportation Services (P)
- 6) Sheff Technical Services Agreement (Attachment Q)
- 7) Youth Services Programs (Attachment R)
- 8) Statewide Family Engagement Center (SFEC) (Attachment S)
- 9) Connecticut Technical Education and Career System Services (Attachment T)
- 10) Supplemental Services (Attachment U)
- 11) Early Childhood Education (Attachment V)
- 12) CREC Resource Group (Attachment W)
- 13) Construction Services (Attachment X)

MOTION: A motion was made by Don Harris seconded by John Vecchitto, and passed unanimously to approve all items under Consent Agenda Section A and B.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Florio gave his update during the Annual Meeting prior to this meeting

VIII. COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT

Chris Wilson gave his updated during the Annual Meeting prior to this meeting.

IX. DELIBERATED ACTION

A. New Business

- 1) Policies (Attachment Y)

The following policies were approved by the Policy Committee on 4/15/2020 as a **first** reading:

Retire Policy: 1200P – Goals for CREC Schools

Retire Policy: 5131P –Gang Activity or Association

Revised Policy: 1110.1P – Parent and Family Involvement

Revised Policy: 3320P – Purchasing

Retire Policy: 3326P Paying for Goods and Services

Revised Policy: 4118.112P – Sexual Harassment

Revised Policy: 5114.2P – Student Handbooks

Revised Policy: 6141.322P – Computers, Website Pages

Revised Policy: 6142.10P – Wellness

New Regulation: 6146.1R Grading Assessment Systems

Retire Policy: 5121P – Examination, Grading, Rating

The following policies are presented by the Policy Committee for a **second** reading:

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Retire Policy: 5131P – Gang Activity or Association
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Revised Policy: 3320P – Purchasing
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Retire Policy: 5121P – Examination, Grading, Rating

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval by CREC Council

MOTION - A motion was made by Don Harris seconded by Lydia Tedone and passed unanimously to approve and adopt and retire the following policies.

VII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Patrice McCarthy stated not much to report as the Capital remained closed since March 11th. Governor has had 43 Executive Orders since she stated that she anticipated a special session sometime this summer but no formal date. She there has been a lot of activity with the Regional Advisory Team as they have multiple levels of committee. Will report with any updates.

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Financial Report (Attachment Z)
- B. Leadership Budget 2020 – 2021 (Attachment AA)

Sandra Cruz-Serrano presented the financial report and Leadership Budgets. There was no change from the April budget report. Referenced increase in budget due to the hiring of DEI Director.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval by CREC Council

A MOTION – A motion was made by Don Harris seconded by John Vecchitto, and passed unanimously to approve.

IX. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Chris Wilson – wanted to remind all council members regarding the homework he gave all a few months back and wanted advise to come prepared for the June Council meeting to provide 4-5 items or services and some details that the district is spending money on.

Anne Kirkpatrick- asked if there was any word from Commissioner Cardona As far a reopening of school. Dr. Florio responded to her question as there is no Date as of yet and are relying on Health Department and Boston Consulting Committee for determination.

John Vecchitto – Asked about Tuition Neutrality – Tim Sullivan responded on The process and its changes and decisions on a more unified process. More to follow

Don Harris – wanted to point out how impressed he is about the changes in CREC for the past 4 years since Dr. Greg Florio has been the Executive Director. Stated Dr. Florio has been exceptional. He was impressed at the video presentation as he saw one of his former students now in the Teacher Residency Program.

Jackie Blea – requested the links of the video presentation during today’s meeting As well as one page report regarding Tuition Neutrality.

Mark Fiorentino – wanted to see if there was any way of getting copies of the essays provided by scholarship recipients. Dr. Florio and Darlene Wolliston will follow up

X. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION: A Motion made by Don Harris and seconded by Joyce Hall passed unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 1:05 pm