

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Bristol, Connecticut**  
**November 15, 2021 – Special Meeting Board Meeting**

A Special Meeting of the Bristol Board of Education was held on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Board of Education Administration Building, located at 129 Church Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners: Eric Carlson, Jennifer Dube, Kristen Giantonio, Shelby Pons, John Sklenka, Todd Sturgeon, Dante Tagariello and Karen Vibert; Dr. Catherine Carbone, Superintendent and Dr. Michael Dietter, Deputy Superintendent

**EXCUSED:** Commissioner Christopher Wilson

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Carbone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and explained the Election of Officers process.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Chair of the Board of Education for a Two Year Period**

Dr. Carbone called for nominations for the position of Chairman of the Board of Education. Commissioner Giantonio nominated Jennifer Dube for the position of Board Chair; Commissioner Carlson seconded the nomination. With no other nominations made, Dr. Carbone announced the nominations closed and asked that ballots be distributed to commissioners. Written ballots for the position of Chair were returned to Dr. Carbone and tallied. Dr. Carbone announced that Jennifer Dube was elected Chair of the Board of Education for a two-year Period with a unanimous vote.

**Vice-Chair of the Board of Education for a Two Year Period**

Chair Dube called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Board of Education. Commissioner Sklenka nominated Kristen Giantonio to the position of Vice-Chair; Commissioner Tagariello seconded the motion. With no other nominations made, Chair Dube announced the nominations closed and asked that ballots be distributed to commissioners. Written ballots for the position of Vice-Chair were returned to Dr. Carbone and tallied. Dr. Carbone announced that Kristen Giantonio was elected Vice-Chair of the Board of Education for a two-year period with a unanimous vote.

**Secretary of the Board of Education for a Two Year Period**

Chair Dube called for nominations for the position of Secretary of the Board of Education. Commissioner Sklenka nominated Dante Tagariello to the position of Secretary; Commissioner Giantonio seconded the motion. With no other nominations made, Chair Dube announced the nominations closed and asked that ballots be distributed to commissioners. Written ballots for the position of Secretary were returned to Dr. Carbone and tallied. Dr. Carbone announced that Dante Tagariello was elected Secretary of the Board of Education for a two-year period with a unanimous vote.

Chair Dube addressed the board regarding serving as the Chair for the next two years.

Chair Dube announced Committee Assignments:

**Finance** – Dante Tagariello (Chair), Karen Vibert and Kristen Giantonio; Alternate – John Sklenka

**Student Achievement** – Todd Sturgeon (Chair), Christopher Wilson, Kristen Giantonio; Alternate – Dante Tagariello

**Operations** – Eric Carlson (Chair), Christopher Wilson, John Sklenka; Alternate – Todd Sturgeon

**Personnel** – John Sklenka (Chair), Karen Vibert, Eric Carlson; Alternate – Todd Sturgeon

**Policy** – Kristen Giantonio (Chair), Shelby Pons, Todd Sturgeon; Alternate Dante Tagariello

### **SCREEN AND STAY INITIATIVE**

Dr. Dietter provided an overview of the Screen and Stay Initiative. Questions followed regarding in-school extracurricular activities not being included, the numbers of questions that have been received thus far and when the mask mandate will be removed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to come before the Special Board of Education the meeting should adjourn. (6:55 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted

*Susan P. Everett*

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Executive Secretary to Board of Education