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August 25, 2022

PRESENT:

Board Members: Wendy Faulenbach, Pete Helmus, Tammy McNerney and Olga Rella

Others Present for All or Part of the Meeting: Dr. JeanAnn Paddyfote, Interim Superintendent of Schools; Attorney Daniel P. Murphy, representing the Administration, Attorney Zachary Schurin, procedural advisor to the Board, Anthony Giovannone, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations, Stephen Gardner, General Manager, All-Star Transportation, Brian Winston, All-Star Transportation, Chery D'Amato, Court Reporter, and the parents who had requested the transportation hearing on behalf of their children and two of the children who were the subject of the hearing.

At the August 25, 2022 special meeting that was called for the purpose of holding a student transportation hearing, a panel of the New Milford Board of Education took the following actions:

Ms. Faulenbach called both the special meeting and the hearing to order at 6:20 p.m., and at 6:21 p.m., Ms. McNerney moved that the Board enter into executive session as personally identifiable information relating to the students who were the subject of the hearing was likely to be discussed, and further moved to invite into executive session all of the named individuals listed above as well as the parents of the students who were the subject of the hearing. Ms. Rella seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:24 p.m., the Board returned to public session, and made the following motions:

1. Ms. Rella moved that the Board of Education adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law discussed in executive session regarding the student transportation hearing. Ms. McNerney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Rella moved that based upon the factual findings adopted by the Board of Education, the Board find that the students who were the subject of this student transportation hearing are not entitled to the school accommodations that the parents have requested on the students' behalf. Mr. Helmus seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Mr. McNerney moved that the Board authorize the Board's procedural advisor to prepare and to issue to the parties the Board's written decision in accordance with the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision. Ms. Rella seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Faulenbach adjourned the hearing and the meeting at 8:25 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendy Faulenbach".

Wendy Faulenbach

Chairperson

New Milford Board of Education