

Ashford Board of Education  
**Special Meeting Minutes – June 22, 2023**  
**7:00 pm**

**Meeting Held in Person and Electronically Via Zoom**

*Note: Per CGS 10-218, Board of Education Meeting Minutes are provided in a draft format within 48 hours of the date the meeting was held. With the exceptions of motions and votes recorded, the minutes are unofficial until they have been read and approved by a majority vote by the Board. Should edits be necessary, they will be made at a regularly scheduled meeting, noted in the meeting minutes, and so voted upon.*

**Call to Order**

Chair Jane Urban called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Present were members Jennifer Leszczynski, Kim Kouatly and Tess Grous (via Zoom). Also present was Superintendent/Director of Pupil Services Cynthia Ford. Unable to attend were Marian Matthews, Al Maccarone and Meghan Smith.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All present recited the pledge.

**Opportunity for Public Comment**

None

**Personnel Negotiations (Executive Session, Action Anticipated)**

The contract of employment of the Superintendent will expire on June 30<sup>th</sup> which has necessitated this special meeting. Motion made by Kim Kouatly to enter into executive session (7:10 pm) for the purpose of personnel negotiations with the Superintendent, and to invite Mrs. Ford into executive session. Motion seconded by Jennifer Leszczynski and carried unanimously.

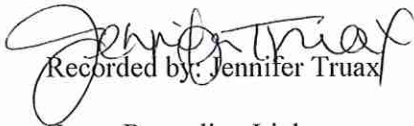
Present: Jennifer Leszczynski, Jane Urban, Tess Grous, Kim Kouatly and Cindy Ford.

The board and Mrs. Ford exited executive session at 7:57 pm. Chair Jane Urban noted the board took a brief recess from session (7:41pm – 7:45 pm)

Motion made by Jennifer Leszczynski to authorize board chair Jane Urban to negotiate a contract of employment with the Superintendent Cindy Ford for the 23-24 fiscal year. Motion seconded by Kim Kouatly and carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Tess Grous to adjourn the meeting at 7:58: p.m. Motion seconded by Jennifer Leszczynski and carried unanimously.

  
Recorded by: Jennifer Truax

Zoom Recording Link:

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