

**New Hartford Board of Education
Special Meeting – August 2, 2022
Amended Minutes**

Present: Chairman Karl Hermonat, Members: Penny Miller, Mary Stempien, Tony Persechino, Tim Klepps, Deirdre Tindall (on Zoom)

Absent: Tom Buzzi, Travis Bonhomme, Kelly O'Dell-Longhi

Also present: Kathryn Boughton, reporter Republican American

Chairman Hermonat opened the meeting at 6:08 pm.

With the resignation of Superintendent of Schools Brian Murphy, a sub-committee was formed to search for an Interim Superintendent until a permanent Superintendent could be found. The committee consisted of the Board of Education members along with Members at Large First Selectman Dan Jerram and former Barkhamsted Superintendent of Schools (a resident of New Hartford) Jeffrey Linton. A list of 17 potential candidates was provided to the sub-committee by CAFE. Resumes of those candidates were reviewed at the July 5th meeting and 5 were chosen to be interviewed. Two of the candidates were not available. Zoom interviews were set-up for remaining candidates.

Chairman Hermonat read the following statement into the minutes:

The Personnel sub-committee consisting of the members of this board along with Members at Large First Selectman Jerram and former Barkhamsted Superintendent of School (a resident of New Hartford) Jeffrey Linton met with three candidates seeking the position of Interim Superintendent. The interviews were held via Zoom in Executive Session. Following these interviews, John Tindall-Gibson was invited back for an in-person meeting with the Personnel sub-committee. The sub-committee was satisfied that Mr. Tindall-Gibson should move on to the next level in the hiring process.

MOTION: by Mr. Hermonat that the New Hartford Board of Education appoint John Tindall-Gibson as Interim Superintendent of Schools, effective August 25, 2022 and continuing through January 31, 2023, or until such time as a new Superintendent of Schools begins work in New Hartford, whichever occurs first, subject to the following conditions:

1. approval of the Commissioner of Education in accordance with Section 10-157 of the Connecticut General Statutes;
2. satisfactory completion of all statutory requirements concerning the hiring of Board of Education employees; and

MOVED FURTHER that the Board Chairperson be authorized to finalize and execute an employment contract with John Tindall-Gibson on behalf of the Board and that John Tindall's appointment is further conditioned on finalization and execution of such employment contract. Second by Ms. Miller

Discussion followed.

Unanimous

Motion by Mr. Persechino to adjourn at 6:27 pm. Second by Ms. Stempien.

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted, Penny Miller, Board Secretary