



CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

New Britain Board of Education Special Meeting

January 4, 2020 – 9:00 AM | New Britain Educational Administration Center

Call to Order and Roll Call

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:23 AM.

Board Members Present

Mr. Anthony Kane, Ms. Diane Leja, Mr. Nicholas Mercier, Ms. Annie Parker, Ms. Diana Reyes, Ms. Nancy Rodriguez, Ms. Gayle Sanders-Connolly, Dr. Violet Jiménez Sims

Board Members Absent

Ms. Monica Dawkins, Mr. Merrill Gay (participated by telephone)

New Business

Superintendent Sarra and Mr. Kevin Kane, Chief Financial Officer, presented the following topics to board members for discussion:

- CSDNB Strategic Five Year Plan (2016-2021)
- Staffing Changes from 2015-2016 to proposed 2020-2021
- Actual Funding Changes from 2015-2016 to 2019-2020
- CSDNB Districtwide Theories of Action and Scorecard Metrics (2019-2020)
- Book Introduction: *Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain* by Zaretta Hammond
- Anticipated District Needs

It was recommended that workshops should be scheduled every other month moving forward to discuss Zaretta Hammond's book on cultural responsiveness and explore action steps and priorities for the development of the next CSDNB Five Year Plan (2021-2026). Specific agendas will be developed at a later date. It was further recommended that Board of Education Liaisons from the Common Council and State Representatives from the district be invited to attend these meetings.

Closing and Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM.

New Britain Board of Education

Merrill Gay – President | Nicholas Mercier – Vice President | Violet Jiménez Sims – Secretary

Monica Dawkins | Anthony Kane | Diane Leja | Annie S. Parker | Diana Reyes | Nancy Rodriguez | Gayle Sanders-Connolly