

Easton, Redding & Region 9 Boards of Education  
Wellness Committee Special Meeting  
May 10, 2018  
Joel Barlow High School ~ Crowley Room

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Committee members: Stephanie Pierson Ugol, Laura Ponzio, Elizabeth Giglio, David Breyer, David Kennedy, Stephanie Noto, Katy Reed, Colleen Pilato, Vance Hancock, Robin Abramowicz, Peggy Zamore, Henry Eubanks  
Others: none

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by Dr. Stephanie Pierson Ugol.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

**Motion: move to approve the October 20, 2017 Wellness Committee Special Meeting Minutes. Breyer, Giglio. Unanimous.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENT

None.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: 2017-2018 PARENT LUNCH PROGRAM SURVEY

Mrs. Ponzio shared the results of the 2017-2018 Parent Lunch Program Survey. Low response from parents – only 11.4% of parents responded. Of those, the majority rated the School Lunch Program a 4 on a five-point scale with 5 being the highest. Some parents concerned there is not enough time for lunch period for child to stand in lunch line and eat lunch. Some requested more organic items and vegetarian options. Some comments about taste of hot dogs and pizza. Others say Food Service is doing a great job.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: CHARTWELLS UPDATES

Mr. Kennedy said they are contracting for new hot dog product from Tyson for next school year. Discussion followed about how the pizza is made. Mr. Kennedy will look into using different cheeses. Ms. Noto noted that the students at HKMS and JRMS were surveyed – HKMS students were surveyed in the cafeteria while the JRMS students took the survey in their classroom. Comments will be reviewed by Chartwells' staff. Discussion followed about portion size of meals at JBHS. It was suggested that hard boiled eggs be offered at a few stations. It was also suggested to bring back the Food Play Production at the elementary schools. Ms. Noto will

communicate with Dr. Pierson Ugol regarding the Food Focus for the month so this information can be shared with the teachers who can incorporate this information into their lessons. Mr. Kennedy said he will be taking all the tower gardens from the schools and bringing them to Barlow. Ms. Rosemary Riber received a grant to build a greenhouse for the JBHS 3E program students.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Submitted by:

Mrs. Laura Ponzio, Business Manager