

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION
AT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Monday, March 6, 2023**

PRESENT: K. Batten, J. Heideman M. Grossman, C. Martinson, H. Schweitzer, T. Wegner, and M. Wilz.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by C. Martinson, President. A quorum was established. The pledge of allegiance was led by C. Martinson.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review and Potential Approval of Strategic Plan/Continuous Improvement Plan

S. Bleck and T. Neitke, CESA 6 Chief Executive Officer, explained the strategic planning process. It was moved by K. Batten and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the strategic plan/continuous improvement plan as presented. Motion carried.

B. Continued Review and Discussion of Staff Survey Engagement Strategies

The Board discussed the staff engagement strategies that were suggested by Board members. S. Bleck suggested a calendaring tool to plan out the engagement strategies. The Board agreed to schedule an annual site visit tour/hold special board meetings at each school building. It was also suggested that the Board continue with its own team building skills to ensure the Board continues to work together. It was suggested that a one-question staff survey be developed to identify factors of staff workload expectations.

It was moved by T. Wegner and seconded by M. Wilz for each Board member to rank their top 5 engagement strategies and return those to S. Bleck. The engagement strategy list would exclude the annual tour/special board meetings held at each school building since those were already agreed to. Motion carried.

III. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by M. Grossman and seconded by K. Batten to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Katie Batten, Clerk