

TEAM Westport Action Meeting Minutes Thursday September 1, 2022 (Via Zoom) (Approved for Distribution) (Full audio recording available on Town Website)



<u>Members:</u> Harold Bailey, Jr. (Chair), Jen Tooker (First Selectwoman), Susan Ellis, Maggie Mudd, Alison Patton, Bernicestine McLeod, Ramin Ganeshram, Zoe Tarrant, Catherine Lewis, Althea Seaborn, Andy Frankel, Joo Kershner, Patra Kanchanagom, Liang Feng

Attendees:

Andrea Moore, Tom Scarice, Lee Goldstein, Foti Koskinas, Sam Arciola, Liz Heyer, Dorie Hordon, Danielle Dobin, Brian McGunagle, Lynn Scully, Brett Aronow, Candice Savin, Danielle Teplica, Jill Nadel, Sarah Adair, Faith Sweeney, Alex Giannini, Candace Banks, Liz Falk, Tom Foran, Elaine Daignault, Harris Falk, Sal Liccione, Rebecca Martin, Abby Gordon-Tolan, John Schwing, Jenny Nelson, Kendall Driffin, Joan Gilman, Lori Church, Jonathan Steinberg, Alma Sarelli

Action Minutes of TEAM Westport Zoom meeting held on Thursday, September 1, 2022 Meeting called to order at 8:06 a.m. by the Chair.

- Attendees were welcomed. Minutes for May 5 2022 meeting were submitted and approved unanimously by May meeting attendees: Harold Bailey, Jr, Susan Ellis, Maggie Mudd, Alison Patton, Bernicestine McLeod, Zoe Tarrant, Catherine Lewis, and Althea Seaborn. Other members abstained.
- 2) Harold welcomed the 5 new members to TEAM Westport and thanked Andrea Moore for her work sourcing them. Each of the 4 new members present spoke to the group as they were introduced. No action was taken.
- 3) Jen Tooker thanked Andrea for her work and welcomed the new members. No action taken
- 4) Tom Scarice reviewed the status of several Westport Schools initiatives including the Equity Study. Lee Goldstein discussed the focus of the administration over the summer. No action was taken.
- 5) Jen Tooker reviewed the search process for new members to TEAM Westport and other committees. No action taken.
- 6) Chief Koskinas reviewed Police recruiting and the issue of equitable recruiting for all town leaders. No action was taken.
- 7) Danielle Dobin reviewed Affordable Housing progress over the past few months including the completion of the town's 5 Year Plan. No action was taken.
- 8) Catherine Lewis and Zoe Tarrant reviewed Parents Group and Book Club plans. No action was taken.
- 9) Ramin reviewed Westport Museum's current initiatives including partnership with Playhouse on "From the Mississippi Delta" and Escape Room exhibit.. No action was taken.
- 10) Patra reviewed plans for AAPI. No action was taken.
- 11) Alex Giannini reviewed array of talent slated for the upcoming StoryFest at Westport Library and encouraged all to attend. No action was taken.



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- 12) Jenny Nelson reviewed the status of initiatives at the Westport Country Playhouse. No action was taken.
- 13) Brian McGunagle reviewed Westport Pride plans and concerns Re: civility. No action was taken.
- 14) Elaine Daignault reviewed recent initiatives in Human Services. No action was taken.
- 15) Adjournment: Catherine Lewis moved to adjourn the meeting. Andy Frankel seconded. Members voted unanimously to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Bernicestine McLeod (Secretary, TEAM Westport)