

**North Stonington Education Center Sub-Committee**  
**Draft Special Meeting Minutes, Monday, April 12, 2021**  
**Via Zoom @ 630pm**  
**North Stonington, CT**

- 1) **Call to Order/Roll Call & Introductions-** Meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Dayton @ 630pm. Members Present: Nichole Porter(EDC), Jennifer Dayton(EDC), Priscilla Lewis(Planning & Zoning), Bob Carlson(Board of Selectmen), Carolyn Howell(Board of Finance) & Chris Dias Business Finance Officer. Absent: Stefanie Mastroianni(Board of Ed)
- 2) **Guest- Connecticut Coastal Academy- Pam Potemri-** Provided a recorded presentation about Connecticut Coastal Academy and the benefits that their education program provides to the students that it serves. Pam explained the community based learning and social/life skills that are taught as part of the curriculum and the success that program has had. The ages served are grades 6 through age 22. School hours are 900am – 200pm. There was discussion. Stefana Pecher, MD commented during discussion in support of the program stating that “all children need this”. The committee members present all spoke favorably of the type of program that Connecticut Coastal Academy provides to its students.
- 3) **Public Comment-** none.
- 4) **Adjournment-** Nichole Porter made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Adjourned at 745pm 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted –

Carolyn A. Howell  
Secretary