

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION  
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, November 11, 2020  
7:30 p.m. – Via Zoom  
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**I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair C. Simonelli called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair C. Simonelli led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ATTENDANCE**

In attendance: Chair C. Simonelli, Vice Chair R. Reichle, Secretary K. Carey-Trull, W. Raber, F. Neill, S. Andrews, C. Sevarino, W. Raber, D. Swaim, Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, A. Paquette, A. Anderson, B. Kaminski, T. Field, L. Daitch, L. Foxx, M. Ryan, W. Gage, Student Representative - A. Trull, EWEA President - J. Jette, community members

Absent: Dr. C. DeBarge

Chair C. Simonelli noted Dr. DeBarge had a last-minute matter come up that would prevent her participation this evening. Dr. P. Tudryn will assist in the meeting on her behalf.

**IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**V. COMMENDATIONS**

1. Outstanding Student Award Recipients – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter award recipients were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal:

- Lillian Burger – BBES
- Elizabeth Romel – EWMS
- Nicholas Canora – EWHS

2. Crystal Apple Award Recipients – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter award recipients were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal:

- Alisha Griswold - BBES
- MaryAnn Stroiney - EWMS
- Sasha Vargas – EWHS

**VI. MINUTES**

1. October 26, 2020 – Special Meeting/Executive Session Minutes - On a motion by R. Reichle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Spencer, the Board voted to approve the minutes as presented. The vote was as follows: W. Raber – yes, C. Sevarino – yes, R. Reichle – yes, S. Andrews – yes, F. Neill – yes, D. Swaim – yes, K. Carey-Trull – yes, H. Spencer – yes, C. Simonelli – yes. The vote was unanimous - 9 yes, 0 no.
2. October 28, 2020 – Regular Meeting Minutes – On a motion by R. Reichle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Spencer, the Board voted to approve the minutes as presented. The vote was as follows: W. Raber – yes, C. Sevarino – yes, R. Reichle – yes, S. Andrews – yes, F. Neill – yes, D. Swaim – yes, K. Carey-Trull – yes, H. Spencer – yes, C. Simonelli – yes. The vote was unanimous - 9 yes, 0 no.

**VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**VIII. SCHOOL REPORT**

Broad Brook Elementary School – Ms. Laura Foxx presented a Literacy Scan Recap:

- Strengths
- Areas to Look Further
- Plan of Action/Priority Goals
  - Action
  - Responsible Persons
  - Progress to Date
  - Completion Date
- Instructional Alignment
- Portrait of a Graduate
- Instructional Focus

**IX. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

A. Trull shared the news and events at all three schools.

**X. PERSONNEL REPORT**

The Board reviewed the current report provided in their meeting packet.

**XI. FINANCIAL REPORT**

A. Paquette reviewed the updated report provided to the Board in their meeting packet:

- Salary encumbrances are now included in the report
- Waiting on status of COVID-19 grant funds
- Accounts have been created for those grants that have been confirmed
- Update on projection for 2% fund for BOF – Town received reimbursement from CARES Act funds which will yield \$40,000 to the school department. The proposed 2% fund amount is now \$478,380 (\$38,300 over the allowed 2% amount, which will go back to the Town)
- Two staff members from TMS are assisting in the Business Office due to a leave of absence

**XII. CURRICULUM REPORT**

D. Rouillard reported on iReady Data:

- Portrait of the Graduate
- Use of Data – iReady Diagnostic
  - Schedule for the Year
  - Participation Rates
  - District Results – Reading (Beginning of the Year View)
  - District Results – Math (Beginning of the Year View)
  - Broad Brook Results – Reading (Beginning of the Year View)
  - Broad Brook Results – Math (Beginning of the Year View)
  - Middle School Results – Reading (Beginning of the Year View)
  - Middle School Results – Math (Beginning of the Year View)
  - High School Results (Gr. 9 & 10 only) – Reading (Beginning of the Year View)
  - High School Results (Gr. 9 & 10 only) – Math (Beginning of the Year View)
  - Next Steps

**XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE**

1. FY20 Budget
2. FY21 Budget

There have been no changes to warrant a vote this evening.

An inquiry was made as to an update on transportation services for the Suffield Vo-Ag Program. Chair C. Simonelli noted Dr. C. DeBarge was working on an update and is awaiting requested information.

Dr. P. Tudryn will share tonight’s inquiry with Dr. C. DeBarge.

**XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION**

Re-Entry Update –Dr. P. Tudryn noted the following:

- We will be following our plan to have all students grades PreK-12 in 4-day sessions, effective Monday, November 16 (Wednesdays will remain remote/independent study days for staff and students)
- Safety protocols in schools have been working well throughout the district
- We will continue to follow DPH guidelines

A request was made to share with the community that the recent COVID strains we may have had were brought into the schools and did not start in the schools, as well as other known school cases within the state.

Dr. P. Tudryn noted Dr. C. DeBarge has shared this information in past weekly parent updates, as well as on our district website. He will inform her of the additional request.

**XV. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE**

None

**XVI. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION**

None

**XVII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**XVIII. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Enrollment
2. District Veterans Day Activities

S. Andrews noted her participation in the recent FRC meeting:

- They are up and running, but their numbers are lower than usual
- Funds in reserve have been used to cover shortfalls
- Families who have not returned will be back when circumstances change
- Playgroups on Mondays & Tuesdays, Activity packets distributed on Thursdays and Fridays
- After School Program running at a smaller capacity
- Awaiting grant money
- Family/Child network
- They will re-evaluate in January

K. Carey-Trull noted her participation in the recent Booster Club meeting:

- Spirit Sale going on through Friday, November 13
- Membership letter will be going out soon
- Looking into alternative fundraising options

She also noted there is a scheduled PTO meeting on November 12.

F. Neill thanked the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts, as well as EWHS student volunteers for volunteering their time to pick-up and drop-off food for the Food Drive for the Five Corner Cupboard this past weekend. This year's Food Drive looks to have exceeded last year's totals.

**XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no need for an executive session this evening.

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by C. Sevarino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by F. Neill, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. at 8:58 p.m. The vote was as follows: W. Raber – yes, C. Sevarino – yes, R. Reichle – yes, S. Andrews – yes, F. Neill – yes, D. Swaim – yes, K. Carey-Trull – yes, H. Spencer – yes, C. Simonelli – yes. The vote was unanimous - 9 yes, 0 no.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik  
Board Recording Secretary

Approved: