

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
November 10, 2015
EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL – Auditorium**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair C. Mickey called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ATTENDANCE

Chair C. Mickey, Vice Chair C. Simonelli, Secretary R. Reichle, K. Bilodeau, Dr. G. Michna, P. Nelson, N. DeSousa, S. Morgan, W. Raber, Superintendent Dr. T. Kane

Also present: Dr. C. DeBarge, E. Keleher, K. Hellerich, L. Foxx, BOE Student Representative D. Couture, community members

IV. OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

The 2015-2016 1st quarter Outstanding Student Award recipients were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal:

Greaneleigh Wilczak – Grade 3

Thu Dang – Grade 6

Jessalyn Smith – Grade 9

As his term has ended, Vice Chair C. Simonelli presented Chair C. Mickey with a plaque representing appreciation for his years of dedicated service on the Board of Education and to the East Windsor Public Schools.

V. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

VI. MINUTES

On a motion by Dr. G. Michna, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board approved the 10/28/15 regular meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Lisa Ouellette, 162 Scantic Road, posed her interest in serving on the Board of Education.

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

D. Couture outlined the November 11 Veterans Day events scheduled at the middle and elementary schools.

IX. SCHOOL REPORT – East Windsor High School

Mr. Keleher reported D. Couture has qualified for the State Championships in the 200 meter IM and 100 meter backstroke.

He also provided an overview of the various activities that have taken place during the first couple months of the school year:

- Freshman 1st Day
- Band at the Big E
- Unity Day
- Mix-It-Up Lunch
- Spirit Week
- Pep/Rally/Nigh Soccer Game
- Veterans Day Activities
- Girls Soccer Team Qualified for Class S in State Tournament
- EWHS Graphics Class Participation in Veterans Day 5K Road Race Posters
- Parent/Teacher Conferences via Schoolappointments.com

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE

1. EWPS Organizational Chart Update – Dr. Kane noted there were additional positions omitted from the current chart that have since been added for their approval.

On a motion by W. Raber, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board voted to approve the Organizational Chart update as presented. The vote was unanimous.

2. Community Health Center Contract – This item was tabled from the 10/28/15 meeting. Dr. Kane reported the current speech/language area at BBES will be designated for a CHC health clinic once the modulars are completed. She recommended tabling this item to a future meeting as CHC will be providing a new contract in the spring to include BBES in their initiative.

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by N. DeSousa, the Board voted to table this item until a formal contract is available. The vote was unanimous.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

1. Modular Project Update – Dr. Kane reported the foundation for the four modulars is underway. The completion of the four unit schedule is pushed back until March; however, it will not change the overall project completion date.
2. EWMS Nurse’s Suite – Dr. Kane was pleased to report the expected move-in date into the new suite is 11/16 (upon completion of final inspections and clean-up).

XII. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

None

XIII. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

None

XIV. LIAISONS’ REPORTS

None

XV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

N. DeSousa inquired if it was possible for the schools to provide their newsletters in the beginning of each month as opposed to mid-month to ensure parents have prior notice of calendar activities.

She also noted how pleased she is with the progress her daughter has made in just 2 short months in the PreK program.

Bob Maynard, 7 Blue Herring Way, reported his periodic attendance at the Senior Center luncheons and shared the positive feedback relative to the recent Senior Luncheon at the high school.

David Swaim, 35 Omelia Road, inquired if all schools were participating in Veterans Day activities. (He joined the meeting after this discussion took place earlier in the agenda.)

XVI. MISCELLANEOUS

W. Raber welcomed newly elected First Selectman, Bob Maynard to the meeting.

K. Bilodeau inquired as to whether or not there would be a “presentation” of the 3-D copier funded via the Education Foundation grant. Dr. Kane will follow-up on her inquiry.

She also suggested inviting Christine Casella to a future meeting to further discuss her article published in the November BBES newsletter relative to Responsive Classroom.

Chair C. Mickey thanked the Board members for the pleasurable experience of serving as Chairman during his tenure on the Board of Education.

XVII. CORRESPONDENCE

Calendar of Events

XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no need for an executive session this evening.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:27 p.m.
The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik
Recording Secretary

Randi Reichle
Secretary

Approved: 11/24/15