

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
January 13, 2016
EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL – Room N4**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair C. Simonelli called the meeting to order at 7:35p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ATTENDANCE

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

Also present: Dr. Christine DeBarge, BOE Student Representative D. Couture, K. Hellerich, D. Rouillard, E. Keleher, BOS Liaison D. Nelson, EWEA Representative A. Masters, community members

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

FY17 Budget Schedule

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2nd by W. Raber, the Board voted to approve the added agenda item: FY17 Budget Schedule. The vote was unanimous.

V. MINUTES

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by P. Nelson, the Board voted to approve the 12/9/15 regular meeting minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. SCHOOL REPORT – East Windsor Middle School

Ms. K. Hellerich and Mr. D. Rouillard outlined the EWMS Plan for Student Improvement:

- Reason for EWMS Plan
- Where We Are Now
- Objective I
- Objective II
- Objective III
- Progress

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

D. Couture provided an update on news and events at all three schools.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE

Contract Amendment – Community Health Center (CHC) - Dr. Kane confirmed CHC will be located in the current speech/language room at BBES. She also noted this contract clarifies that students can go for entry physicals and immunizations at either BBES or EWHS locations. CHC is also able to address ill students and prescribe medications, etc.

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On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board voted to approve the contract amendment as provided. The vote was unanimous.

A recommendation was made by Board members to invite a representative from CHC to a future meeting to provide an outline of their program/services.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

1. Updates:

- a. Broad Brook Elementary School Modular Project Update – Dr. Kane reported the following: (A copy of the project timeline was also provided.)
 - The 4 classrooms will be shipped from Pennsylvania at the end of January and will be placed on the foundation.
 - The Building Committee put a hold on installing the brick façade until spring.
 - The 10 unit classrooms are currently being built in Pennsylvania and will be installed in the spring.
 - The project is on schedule to be completed and ready for the opening of school in September.
- b. EWMS Nurses Suite Update – Dr. Kane informed the Board a future meeting will be scheduled at EWMS to allow them the opportunity to view the new nurse's suite and be provided with a presentation on the new 3D copier. She also noted the heating/cooling unit (Trane Co.) needed to be regulated. It was missing a part which caused the suite to overheat. Dr. Kane reminded the Board that \$40,000 in funds from CIP was used to fund a portion of the project.

2. Policy Updates (1st Reading)

- a. 4152.6/4252.6 Personal Leaves/Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) – Dr. DeBarge outlined the updates to the current policy. She noted language was added relative to paraprofessional hours, and an update to the definition of marriage, according to state regulations, was also added.
 - b. 5131.911 Hazing: Bullying Prevention and Intervention – Dr. DeBarge noted the requirement to review this policy every other year. The policy remained the same and the regulation now reflects current procedures. (Language was added to include positive approaches.)
3. BOE Sub-Committee Assignments – The Board reviewed the current list and selected their sub-committee assignments.
 4. Student Population – Dr. Kane noted the inquiries posed at a prior Board meeting relative to recruitment of 8th grade students to the high school and enrollment reduction. The Board reviewed the outline provided by Mr. Keleher that is used for student recruitment in an effort to retain students here in the district. She also confirmed the reduction in student population was due to students moving out of town.

XI. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

None

XII. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

FY17 Budget Schedule – The Board reviewed and revised the scheduled BOE FY17 budget workshops and reviewed the Town budget schedule.

XIII. LIAISONS' REPORTS

Chair C. Simonelli, BOS liaison, noted the Public Hearing on the gun range has been scheduled on February 2, 2016, with no public participation scheduled at said hearing. She also noted the casino option was still on the table for consideration.

XIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XV. MISCELLANEOUS

Chair C. Simonelli spoke to the upcoming CAFE Day on the Hill event. The EWHS Social Studies Department would like to participate, but are unable to do so unless a Board member accompanies them. She asked for a volunteer from the Board to attend. Dr. G. Michna volunteered to do so.

Dr. Kane mentioned EW 4th grade student, Reese Hannan, was the winner of the recent Enfield Fire District #1 Fire Prevention Poster Contest conducted by the Enfield Fire Marshal.

XVI. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Calendar of Events
2. BBES Newsletter
3. EWMS *Wildcat*
4. Enrollment
5. Correspondence from the CT Department of Veterans Affairs

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik
Recording Secretary

Randi Reichle
Secretary

Approved: 1/27/16