

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
October 28, 2015
EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL – Room N4**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ATTENDANCE

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

Also present: Dr. C. DeBarge, R. Labrie, J. Giuliano, S. Dewey, L. Foxx, J. Jette – EWEA Rep, J. Richards - BOS Liaison, community members

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

Community Health Center Contract Amendment

On a motion by R. Reichle, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board approved the added agenda item: Community Health Center Contract Amendment. The vote was unanimous.

V. MINUTES

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by P. Nelson, the Board approved the October 14, 2015 meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

D. Couture reported the EWHS Girls Soccer Team made it to the State Championships.

VIII. PERSONNEL REPORT

A copy of the most recent report was provided in Board packets.

IX. FINANCIAL REPORT

Dr. Kane provided each Board member with a copy of the written report provided by TMS. The report stated September results of operations are posted for viewing on the TMS website, spending is continuing as expected, and Special Education costs have been reviewed with Dr. Tudryn.

P. Nelson requested a hardcopy of the report be provided once a month, including cafeteria and FRC line items.

X. CURRICULUM REPORT

Dr. DeBarge provided a recap on the district STAR results: BBES STAR Literacy & Math, EWMS Reading & Math, and EWHS Literacy & Math.

On a motion by N. DeSousa, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board voted to take the BBES Modular Project Update– Alliance Grant Approval item(s) out of order for a vote. The vote was unanimous.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION/VOTE

BBES Modular Project Update – R. Labrie, J. Giuliano, and S. Dewey were present to provide an update on the project. The furniture and fixture plan will be going before the state for approval on November 17 and will require Board approval.

Dr. Michna joined the meeting via teleconference at 7:50 p.m.

On a motion by N. DeSousa, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to send the Furniture/Fixture Plan to the state for approval and authorize the Board Vice Chair to sign appropriate documentation for purpose of submission. The vote was unanimous.

Alliance Grant Approval – Dr. Kane reminded the Board that we qualify for an Alliance District School Building Grant. If awarded, funds would be put toward BBES to make the entire building visually appealing, inside and outside, once the Modular Project is completed. There is a 30 day turnaround to award the entitlement upon grant submission. The Building Committee will oversee the renovations and we would have until June 2017 to complete all projects, should we be awarded funding. She provided an outline of the grant project descriptions: Window Replacement, Hazardous Abatement of Windows – Asbestos/Lead/PCB, Window Repairs, Boys and Girls Bathroom – 1st Grade Wing, Boys & Girls Bathroom – 3rd Grade Wing, Main Office Renovation, Air Conditioning, Locker Renovation/Replacement, Boiler Conversion, Cafeteria Equipment, Classroom Countertops, Classroom Sink/Countertop.

On a motion by W. Raber, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board approved submission of the Alliance District School Building Grant as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. G. Michna left the meeting via teleconference at 8:33 p.m.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE (continued from above)

2. EWPS Organizational Chart Update – Dr. Kane reviewed the update with inclusion of Safe School Climate Officer, Safety/Security Consultant and School Resource Officer (SRO).

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by S. Morgan, the Board approved the update as presented. The vote was unanimous.

3. Community Health Center Contract Amendment – Dr. Kane informed the Board the current CHC contract is up for renewal and will require a Board vote to continue with the initiative. Board members requested clarification on the feasibility of extending services at BBES this school year during construction or for a future location within the school.

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by N. DeSousa, the Board tabled this item to their next meeting agenda. The vote was unanimous.

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION (continued from above)

2. EWMS Roof Repair & Nurse’s Suite Project – Dr. Kane was pleased to report the contractor will be finished by 11/6. Furniture will then be moved into the facility and the Nurse’s Suite will be functional by the 2nd week of November.
3. Adoption of Grade 11 Assessment – Dr. Kane informed the Board we received formal notification that in lieu of SBAC the SAT has been selected as the assessment for our 11th grade students.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

1. Out-of-State Field Trip Request – On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by P. Nelson, the Board approved the Springfield Symphony Hall, Springfield, MA field trip by EWMS. The vote was unanimous.
2. 2016 East Windsor BOE Meeting Schedule – On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by W. Raber, the Board approved the 2016 East Windsor BOE Meeting Schedule as presented. The vote was unanimous.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

XV. LIAISONS’ REPORTS

K. Bilodeau reported her attendance at the recent Pension Board meeting.

XVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XVII. MISCELLANEOUS

R. Reichle stated parents observed the new drop-off schedule at BBES. Dr. Kane outlined the process.

S. Morgan thanked J. Richards for his service in the role as BOS liaison.

XVIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Calendars of Events

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XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to adjourn. The time was 8:50 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Randi Reichle
Secretary

Annie Kalesnik
Recording Secretary

Approved: 11/10/15