

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION  
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
April 27, 2016  
East Windsor Middle School – auditorium**

**I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

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

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**III. ATTENDANCE**

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

Also present: K. Hellerich, D. Rouillard, A. Paquette (TMS), community members

**IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS - None**

**V. MINUTES**

On a motion by R. Reichle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to approve the 4/6/16 meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

N. DeSousa joined the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**VII. SCHOOL REPORT/CURRICULUM REPORT – Chair C. Simonelli called for a recess at 7:34 p.m. for the Board to relocate to Room E4 for the school/curriculum report. (A tour of the new Nurse’s Suite and Life Skills class was also conducted.)**

EWMS S.T.E.M. teacher, D. Bidwell provided a demonstration of the 3-D printer and overview of the work conducted in the middle school S.T.E.M. program.

**VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE – Dr. C. DeBarge reported on the news and activities at all three schools.**

**IX. PERSONNEL REPORT**

The Board reviewed the current report provided in their packet.

**X. FINANCIAL REPORT**

A. Paquette provided an overview of the updated report. In addition to their regular monthly meeting, a meeting was held with town/school personnel and the auditor to discuss best practices, closing year procedures, and end-of-year purchase orders. The meeting was very productive. Also, the current manner in which information is being shared between the Business Office and the Treasurer’s Office is very productive. Both K. Lord, and K. Scavotto are pleased with the successful collaborative efforts regarding practice and procedures.

P. Nelson noted the report format was an improvement, but she would like to see it include a monthly update on Food Services. She also noted that all Board members should have the opportunity to discuss what information they would like included in the report.

K. Bilodeau inquired as to how the town was able to assume the Adult Education grant funds. A. Paquette noted the statute states it “may” be a general fund review; the town took the “may” as “will”. He noted we are responsible for the bill, which is more than the grant. It has always been recorded as general fund revenue. It was noted, because BOE was financially responsible for Adult Ed programming paying, the BOE fought in past years to have the funds returned to us. Through the years, it was recorded as general fund revenue by the town and as a grant received by the BOE.

**XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE - None**

**XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION -None**

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE**

Alliance District Grant – Dr. DeBarge provided information relative to the FY17 grant application.

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Morgan, the Board approved the grant submission and signature by Board Chair C. Simonelli. The vote was unanimous.

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION**

None

**XV. LIAISONS' REPORTS**

K. Bilodeau reported her attendance at the recent Pension Board meeting and a decrease in the market.

**XVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Sarah Andrews, 144 Main Street, was present and stated she was there more to observe the meeting and possibly add to discussion on the athletic (football) transportation, should it have been brought up for discussion.

**XVII. MISCELLANEOUS**

None

**XVIII. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Enrollment
2. EWS End-of-Year Calendars of Events/Activities

**XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by W. Raber, the Board voted to enter executive session at 8:31 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, dismissal or the health of a public officer or employee, provided that such individual may require that the discussion be held at an open meeting. The vote was unanimous. (The Board moved to the EWMS library to conduct the session.)

The session ended at 9:52 p.m.

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to adjourn executive session at 9:52 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik  
Recording Secretary

Randi Reichle  
Secretary

**Approved:**