

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
April 10, 2013
EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL – Room N-4**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ATTENDANCE

Chairman C. Mickey, Vice Chairman W. Schultz, Secretary C. Simonelli, K. Bilodeau, W. Raber, N. DeSousa, G. Michna, R. Maynard, R. Reichle, Student Representative Madison Masters, and Superintendent T. Kane.

Also present: C. DeBarge, H. Thomas, K. Hellerich, L. Foxx, T. Osoimalo, and community members

IV. OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

The Outstanding Students for the 3rd quarter were introduced to the Board by their respective principals. Each principal provided a brief explanation as to why the student was chosen to receive this award. The students were:

Jacob West – High School

Megan Palma – Middle School

*Haleigh Thibodeau – Broad Brook

(* Haleigh was present for the reception held at EWHS at 7:00 p.m., but was not present for introduction to the BOE, due to illness. Ms. Foxx offered a brief explanation as to why she was chosen to receive this award.)

V. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

VI. MINUTES

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by G. Michna, the Board voted to accept the minutes of March 27, 2013. Vote: 9-0

On a motion by W. Schultz, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to accept the minutes of March 18, 2013 (budget workshop), as amended. Vote: 9-0

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Madison Masters updated the Board on news and events held at Broad Brook Elementary School, East Windsor Middle School, and East Windsor High School.

IX. CURRICULUM REPORT

C. DeBarge was pleased to report the completion of CMT and CAPT testing. Test materials have been packed and are in route back to the state. She provided a brief report on the outcome of the Internet Safety Night held on April 2nd, and provided updates on upcoming events at the schools, relative to college planning, etc., and work conducted by the guidance departments.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE REQUIRED

Out-of-State Field Trip Request - W. Raber noted the benefit of this field trip, but questioned why the number of students and the cost was not identified on the form. Dr. Kane informed the Board this trip would be of no cost to the district. Each student would provide funding for their own portion of the cost, which would be calculated once the number of students attending the trip was determined.

On a motion by N. DeSousa, 2nd by C. Simonelli, the Board approved the Out-of-State Field Trip to Boston Science Museum. The vote was unanimous (9-0).

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

- a. Modular Project Update – Dr. Kane confirmed the recent news relative to the delay in the completion of our modular project. Due to the lateness of the legislature to appropriate funds for school construction, the project will be delayed until the start of the 2014-2015 school year.
- b. FY14 Budget – Dr. Kane commended the Board of Finance on their thorough, thoughtful review of the FY14 budget. The referendum is scheduled to take place on May 14th.

XII. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE REQUIRED

- a. E-Rate Board Resolution for Technology Plan – T. Osoimalo was present to seek Board approval to file the district's portion of E-Rate funding for 2013-2014. Dr. Kane commended T. Osoimalo and L. Giuliano for their efforts in this process.

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by W. Raber, the Board voted to approve for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2013-2014. This resolution authorizes filing of the Form 471 applications for funding year 2013-2014 and the payment of the applicant's share upon approval of funding and receipt of services. The vote was unanimous (9-0).

NEW BUSINESS: VOTE REQUIRED (CONT.)

- b. New Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Instruments – C. DeBarge provided an overview of the new evaluation tools for both teachers and administrators. Dr. Rigazzio-Digilio worked with the district on these models according to our needs.

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by C. Simonelli, the Board approved the New Teacher and Administrator Evaluation instruments as presented. The vote was unanimous (9-0).

XIII. NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION

None

XIV. LIAISONS' REPORT

None

XV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XVI. MISCELLANEOUS

C. Simonelli recommended revisiting the public participation guidelines to allow the Board to immediately act on public participation inquiries. The Board Policy Review (BPR) Committee will do this.

XVII. CORRESPONDENCE

- Calendar of Events – April 5-18, 2013
- Broad Brook Newsletter
- EWMS *Wildcat*
- Spring Athletic Calendars

The Chair also read a thank you card received from EWHS Close-up members relative to the donation toward their Washington DC trip.

XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Although an executive session was posted, there was no longer a need to conduct the session.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by N. DeSousa, 2nd by W. Schultz, the Board voted to adjourn at 9:08 p.m.
Vote: 9-0

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Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Simonelli
Secretary

Ann M. Kalesnik
Recording Secretary

Approved: April 24, 2013