

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF
July 8, 2015
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 Chair C. Simonelli, Secretary R. Reichle, K. Bilodeau, Dr. G. Michna, P. Nelson, Dr. Theresa Kane Absent: W. Raber, N. DeSousa, S. Morgan

Also present: Dr. C. DeBarge, K. Hellerich, D. Rouillard, R. Labrie, community members

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by R. Reichle, the Board voted to accept the added agenda item: BBES Modular Project – Contract Extension. The vote was unanimous.

V. MINUTES

On a motion by Dr. G. Michna, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board approved the June 24, 2015 meeting minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Frances Neill, 153 Melrose Road, voiced her concerns with moving the 4th grade students to the middle school during the elementary school modular project. She was on vacation at the time of the last BOE meeting and was not able to participate in the scheduled conversation.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE

BBES Modular Project – Contract Extension – On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by C. Simonelli, the Board voted to extend Future's contract through the remainder of the project. The vote was unanimous.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

1. BBES Modular Project Update – Mr. Labrie reviewed a hand-out outlining the following updates on the BBES Modular Project:

- Legislation-Grant Revision/Additional Funding
- State Extension of Original Grant
- Security
- Removal of Portable Units
- Fire Sprinkler System
- Request for Information (RFI)
- Other
- Bottom Line

2. STAR Data Update – Dr. DeBarge presented the most recent STAR data in math and reading.

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by Dr. G. Michna, the Board voted to move agenda item “EWMS Schedule” from New Business: Discussion to New Business: Vote Required. The vote was unanimous.

IX. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE REQUIRED

EWMS Schedule – K. Hellerich and D. Rouillard presented a proposed schedule revision which includes a period for homework help, academic support, and gifted and talented work.

S. Morgan joined the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2nd by C. Simonelli, the Board voted to approve the new EWMS schedule as presented, pending union approval. The vote was unanimous.

X. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

EWHS Shortened Day Schedule - Dr. DeBarge outlined the new EWHS shortened day schedule which includes serving lunch on early release days (with the exception of snow or exam days).

XI. LIAISONS’ REPORT

K. Bilodeau reported her attendance at a recent Pension Board meeting and provided an update on the pension plan.

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

J. Richards spoke to the pension plan. He also welcomed Dr. Kane back from medical leave and provided kudos to Dr. DeBarge for leading the district in Dr. Kane’s absence. He offered, as BOS liaison to the BOE, to convey items of discussion from the BOE to the BOS. His final note was to remind the Board and community of Community Day on September 26, 2015.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. DeBarge provided an update on additional information requested by the Board at their June 24, 2015 meeting relative to the Rockville Agricultural Consulting Committee.

She also announced Joy Wilson, East Windsor High School Math Teacher, as the 2016 EWPS Teacher of the Year.

Chair C. Mickey informed the Board our East Windsor High School students were not included among other local communities in the recent edition of the Hartford Courant outlining district valedictorians, salutatorians and student athletes. Dr. Kane will contact the publication to inquire as to why our district was not contacted for inclusion.

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to cancel the July 22, 2015 and August 12, 2015 scheduled Board meetings. The vote was unanimous.

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

None

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to enter into executive session at 9:20 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer or employee, provided that such individual may require that discussion to be held at an open meeting – Superintendent Evaluation. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. Kane left the room at 9:20 p.m.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:50 p.m.

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the board voted to approve the Superintendent Evaluation document for the 2014-2015 school year. The vote was unanimous.

On a motion by C. Simonelli, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to approve the following additions to the compensation package for the 2015-2016 contract year for Superintendent Kane; 0% salary increase, an additional 15 telecommunication days for a total of 25, and to extend her contract for an additional year. The vote was unanimous.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2nd by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Randi Reichle
Secretary

Ann M. Kalesnik
Recording Secretary

Approved: 8/26/15