

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION  
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, January 23, 2019  
East Windsor High School – Room N4**

**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**

In attendance: Chair C. Simonelli, Vice Chair R. Reichle, Secretary K. Carey-Trull, K. Bilodeau, S. Morgan, F. Neill, Dr. C. DeBarge

Absent: W. Raber, N. DeSousa, D. Swaim

Also present: M. Ryan, T. Field, C. Bava, E. Keleher, A. Trull-Student Representative, community members

**IV. OUTSTANDING STUDENTS – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter award winners were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal/administrator.

- Marcus Davis – BBS
- Haley Whetton – EWMS
- Ryan Lee – EWHS (in absentia)

D. Swaim joined the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

**V. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**VI. MINUTES**

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Carey-Trull, the Board approved the regular meeting minutes from January 9, 2019 as presented. The vote was 6-0-1. (S. Morgan abstained.)

**VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Student Representative, A. Trull reported on district-wide/individual school activities/events.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE**

1. FY19 Budget – This item was tabled to the next meeting agenda.
2. Paraeducator Negotiations Sub-Committee Assignments – Chair C. Simonelli, K. Bilodeau, S. Morgan, and K. Carey-Trull volunteered to serve on this sub-committee. A vote was not necessary.

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION**

None

**XI. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE**

Course Proposals

- a. EWHS - Course Name Change from EPC Science to Earth & Space Science
- b. EWHS – AP Environmental Science
- c. EMS Intro to Computer Science

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Morgan, the Board voted to accept all course proposals as presented. The vote was unanimous.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION**

None

**XIII. LIAISONS' REPORTS**

K. Carey-Trull reported her attendance at the recent PTO meeting and noted they are seeking new membership to transition the position of president and vice president. She also noted the Broad Brook Elementary School Glow Dance was this coming weekend.

F. Neill reported her attendance at the recent Pension Board Meeting and noted the Board decided to switch from VOYA to ICMA as the investment advisor (defined benefits) for the Town of East Windsor. Her final note was that D. King has been named as Chairman of the Pension Board.

Dr. C. DeBarge noted she and Chair C. Simonelli attended the recent BOF meeting to share a financial update. In addition to providing them with a copy of our most recent written financial update and answering any questions, which were few, they also shared that our food service director has implemented improvements to our lunch program in an effort to establish a greater participation. Overall, it was a great meeting. They will return in February to present them with another update.

**XIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**XV. MISCELLANEOUS**

Dr. C. DeBarge informed the Board the new graduation requirements are in process (now aligned with the new state statute). They would like to share a draft copy of the new credit requirements with our 8th grade students who will soon be visiting the high school, with the caveat that they are pending BOE approval.

She also provided a reminder that the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report cards will not be printed, but will be available on the parent portal.

Her final note was that Park & Rec and the EW PTO have reported low enrollment and participation in their programs since we started posting all flyers on the portal. Although we are attempting to save money and resources by posting requested flyers on the portals, they are considering approval to send flyers home, as long as the organization provides the copies for distribution.

S. Morgan noted Mr. Hall and Mr. Davis recently held a Coffee Hour to discuss upcoming legislative issues, which included educational mandates.

**XVI. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letters: Staff Commendations/Donations
2. Calendars of Events

**XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by K. Bilodeau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Morgan, the Board voted to enter into executive session 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 time was 8:24 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:30 p.m.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by S. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Bilodeau, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik  
Recording Secretary

Approved: 2/13/19