

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 14, 2022
East Windsor High School – Library - 7:30 p.m.**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair R. Reichle called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair R. Reichle led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair R. Reichle called for a moment of silence in honor of the 10-year anniversary of the Sandy Hook tragedy.

III. ATTENDANCE

In attendance: Chair R. Reichle, Vice Chair H. Spencer, Secretary K. Carey-Trull, F. Neill, C. Sevarino, D. Menard, L. Sinsigallo, N. Farmer (via Google Meet), E. LeBorious, Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, R. Galloway, A. Anderson, B. Kaminski, T. Field, L. Daitch, L. Foxx, M. Ryan, Student Representative – V. Hernandez, community members

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

V. VISITATIONS

1. Outstanding Student Award Recipients – 1st Quarter

The 1st quarter award recipients were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal:

- Aliyah Henry – EWHS
- Ian Thompson – EWMS
- Imran Faridi - BBES

2. Crystal Apple Award Recipients – 1st Quarter

The 1st quarter award recipients were introduced to the Board by their respective building principal:

- Jeannine Hintze - BBES
- Christine Mastrangelo - EWMS
- Katrina Danby – EWHS

VI. MINUTES

November 22, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes – On a motion by C. Sevarino, 2nd by H. Spencer, the Board approved the November 22, 2022 minutes as presented. The vote was unanimous.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

V. Hernandez shared the news and events at all three schools.

IX. PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board reviewed the current report provided in their meeting packet. An inquiry was made relative to BOE Policy 4212.8 – Nepotism – Employment of Relatives, as it relates to information contained in the report. In regards to the inquiry, Dr. P. Tudryn shared that the position was posted multiple times. The person hired was a late applicant and highly qualified. The position was offered to a candidate from the initial posting, but declined.

X. FINANCIAL REPORT

R. Galloway reported the following:

- These are early projections and are subject to change
- Some cleanup work is in progress to reclassify some employee salary lines in MUNIS
- The projections do not include any potential retro pay to Paraprofessional, Classified Union, and Nurse – contracts not negotiated or ratified to date
- Utility rates – increases are rough estimates based on anticipated rate increases and will be updated as invoices are received
- Increasing transportation costs are due to 2 additional buses and increased fuel costs

XI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

1. Communication Updates– Recruitment/Retention Updates:

- Branding
- Communications
- Community Engagement
- EWPS Website
- Student Recruitment
- Strategic Plan – Goals

2. Alliance District Update (CAPSS)

- Who represents Alliance districts?
- Who they are
- What have they done?
- What they need

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

None

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VOTE

None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

Policy Updates – 1st Reading

1. 2400 – Evaluation of Administrators and Administration

This is a current BOE policy that has been updated via recommendations from CABE and CAPSS. Updates were made in the Leadership Performance Areas & Areas of Responsibility/Timeline.

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by E. LeBorious, the Board voted to table this policy until after the BOE goal setting retreat. The vote was unanimous.

2. 9321.2 – Electronic Board of Education Meetings

On a motion by F. Neill, 2nd by D. Menard, the Board voted to waive the 2nd reading of this policy. The vote was unanimous.

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On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by H. Spencer, the Board approved policy 9321.2 as presented. The vote was unanimous.

3. 6141.51 – Advanced Courses or Programs, Eligibility Criteria for Enrollment

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board voted to waive the 2nd reading of this policy. The vote was unanimous.

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board approved policy 6141.51 as presented. The vote was unanimous.

XV. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

None

XVI. LIAISONS' REPORTS

None

XVII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XVIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. P. Tudryn noted correspondence was included in tonight's meeting packet from CAPSS regarding the 5 mandated reading programs. The waiver process has not been released as of yet, and it is unclear as to what the process will be. Updates will be provided as they are received.

XIX. CORRESPONDENCE

Enrollment

XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board voted to enter executive session at 8:44 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations and pending litigation. The vote was unanimous.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:26 p.m.

XXI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by C. Sevarino, 2nd by K. Carey-Trull, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kalesnik
Board Recording Secretary

Heather Spencer
Board Secretary

Approved: 1/11/23

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STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

December 14, 2022

BROAD BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Broad Brook School would like to thank the PTO and all of the parent volunteers who made the Holiday Store a tremendous success - On December 5, 6 and 8, students did their holiday shopping in the BBS gym - Parents were offered the opportunity to donate money to the PTO so all students would be able to participate - Our families donated over \$400
- The annual Winter Concert is back on Wednesday, December 21 - Each class will perform a song - Students are making props for their performance in art class

EAST WINDSOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

- EWMS gym floors were sanded and painted over the Thanksgiving weekend - They look amazing!
- On December 2nd, EWMS had its first dance in over two years - The 5th and 6th-grade dance was from 3:00-4:00, and the 7th and 8th grade was from 6:00-7:30 - The students had a great time, and you can check out pictures on the EWPS Facebook page
- EWMS participated in CCMC Pajama Day and raised over \$500 to help kids fight cancer.
- On December 15th, the 8th-grade Band will perform a New Horizons Concert at 7:00 in the EWMS auditorium
- During the week of December 19th, students who received a Pawsitivity Award will be celebrated with a special treat of hot chocolate and donuts
- On December 21st, the 7th and 8th-grade Chorus will be putting on a holiday concert with breakfast for East Windsor Seniors
- Student Council will be sponsoring another pep rally on December 22nd - It is also "Wear Your Festive Attire Day" at EWMS

EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL

- 7 students and families have committed to this year's Close-Up trip, 5 sophomores and 2 juniors
- Model Congress will be held in the spring, and delegations will be built soon
- Class Advisors are working at scheduling events and making information available to students - It will be very important for students to check their respective google classroom pages and their email for grade specific information
- 12 members of the LEO Club assisted with a Habitat for Humanity build day project, learning how to measure and install trim - They used battery operated tools and worked in teams to accomplish their tasks.

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Some students also moved equipment from home to home for other work crews and all students learned about the habitat organization

- 5 LEO members also recently assisted with the special education Christmas Party hosted by the Lions Club District - Several school districts were in attendance for the event - Our LEOs dressed in costume to entertain the kids, as well as served lunches, acted as elves delivering presents to the students, and assisted with clean up
- High school seniors volunteered at Broad Brook Elementary School to assist with the PTO's Holiday Store
- The National Honor Society raised approximately \$450 through their Munson's fundraiser - Chocolates should be delivered very soon
- Students in Student Government at the high school are working hard to show staff their appreciation by putting together a breakfast scheduled to take place on December 22
- Students in Yearbook have finalized the year