

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, November 8, 2023
7:30 p.m. - Room A5, Broad Brook Elementary School
14 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair R. Reichle called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ATTENDANCE

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

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, J. Martin, A. Anderson, B. Kaminski, J. Kennedy,
Student Representative- V. Hernandez

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

V. MINUTES

1. October 25, 2023 - Regular Meeting Minutes – On a motion by F. Neill, 2nd by C. Sevarino, to approve the Board minutes. PASSED with a vote of 8 yes, 1 abstain (D. Menard).

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

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

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE: COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

J. Martin presented the results of the 2023 Community Survey highlighting that the community-at-large values educational rigor, quality facilities and campuses, investing in the arts, music, and extracurricular activities, and school-to-home communication. A gap analysis showed that investment in facilities improvements is the most pressing issue at this time, as is a desire to enhance music, performing arts, visual arts, and athletic opportunities for students. C. Sevarino mentioned the importance of a clear definition of bullying communicated between the district and community. N. Farmer requested a copy of the data broken down by each school. Discussion ensued relative to the various members of the community able to respond to the survey. J. Martin will bring a report of recommendations to the Board at a later date.

IX. EAST WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

A. Anderson and B. Kaminski presented the High School Report highlighting the ways the high school is working to meet the goals of the strategic plan set forth by the Board. A. Anderson and B. Kaminski shared that the high school is expanding post secondary opportunities and experiences for students by bringing in community and business leaders. The high school hosted a meet and greet style open house with community organizations. They are building community among students through advisory lessons. Improvements have been made to high school facilities such as the gym and auditorium. Students from the high school are connecting with students from Broad Brook Elementary and students from the East Windsor Middle School through various school programs and events.

N. Farmer inquired about the musical being put on by the high school. B. Kaminski was pleased to announce the musical will be Snoopy, with auditions taking place next week. A. Anderson announced that on National Signing Day East Windsor student Ryan Willey signed with Assumption College on a golf scholarship.

X. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

1. 2024 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

On a motion by N. Farmer, 2nd by H. Spencer, the Board approved the 2024 BOE Meeting Schedule as presented. The vote PASSED unanimously.

2. Surplus Instructional Materials

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by L. Sinsigallo, the board approved the disposal of the materials as listed on the document. The vote PASSED unanimously. Dr. P. Tudryn advised this type of agenda item will be reassessed during the policy updates this year. N. Farmer inquired about what would be done with the materials. The materials will be discarded.

XI. LIAISON'S REPORT

F. Neill shared that the recently held wine tasting was well attended. The purse bingo event will be held this weekend in Enfield.

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. P. Tudryn reminded everyone that the Outstanding Student Awards will be presented prior to the start of the November 21, 2023 Board meeting.

H. Spencer thanked those who ran in the recent election as well as L. Sinsigallo and R. Reichle for their participation and guidance. L. Sinsigallo thanked the Board members for the experience she had as a Board member. R. Reichle thanked the board, specifically L. Sinsigallo, congratulated the members who were reelected as well as the newly elected members, acknowledged her family for their support as well as the support of the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, the administration and the rest of the staff of East Windsor Public Schools.

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank you Letter - EWPD Chief Carl

2. Staff Commendation Letters

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by L. Sinsigallo, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending claims and litigation at 8:11 PM. R. Reichle left the meeting at 8:11 PM. The Board came out of executive session at 8:41 PM.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by N. Farmer, 2nd by C. Sevarino, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:42 PM. The vote PASSED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Kennedy
Board Recording Secretary

Approved 11/21/23