

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 24, 2024
7:30 p.m. - Room A5, Broad Brook Elementary School
14 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair K. Carey-Trull called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair K. Carey-Trull led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ATTENDANCE

In attendance: Chair K. Carey-Trull, Vice Chair H. Spencer, Secretary F. Neill, C. Sevarino, D. Menard, N. Farmer, E. LeBorious, K. Betancourt, G. Resto, Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, R. Galloway, D. Osypuk, T. Field, M. Ryan, Student Representative V. Hernandez, S. Muska and K. Yagaloff from the office of the Board of Selectmen.

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

V. MINUTES

January 10, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes – On a motion by C. Sevarino, second by H. Spencer, to approve the Board minutes. D. Menard requested a correction be made to change “basketball booster club” to “booster club”. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

V. Hernandez presented the news and events at all three schools. Chair K. Carey-Trull shared with the Board that a junior on the girls basketball team scored her 1000th point.

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

1. January 31, 2024 - BOE Workshop with CABA Nick Caruso & Att. Chinni at 6 PM
2. February 7, 2024 - Board Policy Review Subcommittee Meeting at 5:30 PM
3. February 7, 2024 - Board of Selectmen/Board of Education Public Hearing 7 PM
4. February 14, 2024 - Board of Finance Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
5. February 14, 2024 - Outstanding Student Awards at 7 PM
6. February 14, 2024 - BOE Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM
7. February 21, 2024 - Board Policy Review Subcommittee Meeting at 5:30 PM
8. February 28, 2024 - Curriculum Council Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
9. February 28, 2024 BOE Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM

Dr. P. Tudryn noted that Representative Jamie Foster will be attending the meeting on February 14, 2024. N. Farmer advised the Board that the Athletics Subcommittee will be meeting on January 31, 2024 prior to the workshop being held that evening.

IX. FINANCIAL REPORT

R. Galloway presented the financial report. The focus has been on the Fiscal Year 2025 budget. Projections should be available closer to the end of February or mid-March. A copy of the report was provided to the Board. N. Farmer advised the Board that the Finance Subcommittee reviewed the budget report in greater detail with R. Galloway.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S PROPOSED BUDGET

Dr. P. Tudryn presented the Superintendent's Proposed Budget. He provided an overview of the budget, highlighting that the budget was created to support the priorities outlined in the Board's strategic plan and the Portrait of the Graduate to provide a quality education in each of the three schools. The funding cliff presented new challenges in Fiscal Year 2025 and the leadership team was able to collaborate to come up with solutions to those challenges. Dr. P Tudryn stated he looks forward to working with the Board to continue to provide a quality educational experience to students while also being aware of protecting the local taxpayers. A copy of the budget proposal was provided to the Board and was sent to the town yesterday.

XI. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

Discussion ensued regarding the Board's budget workshop dates. The dates for the budget workshops are: February 22, 2024 at 6:30 PM, February 28, 2024 at 6 PM, February 29, 2024 at 6 PM, and March 6, 2024 at 6 PM.

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. P. Tudryn and Chair Kate Carey-Trull informed the Board that copies of the Connecticut School Law books are available for pickup at Central Office. D. Menard informed the Board that the middle school put out a sports survey to parents. Dr. P. Tudryn informed the Board that there is a new state mandate requiring districts to have Diversity Educator Teams. He asked if there were any Board members interested in joining the East Windsor team. Board members F. Neill, E. LeBorious, G. Resto, and Chair K. Carey-Trull expressed their interest. N. Farmer asked that a discussion regarding the change in state law to the entry age for kindergarteners be added to the agenda for a future meeting. H. Spencer advised the Board that the Emergency Management Office ran an active shooter drill within the district. Additionally, the Curriculum Council will be discussing new classes at their next meeting. Dr. P. Tudryn further informed the Board that the East Windsor Police Department conducted active shooter training at the high school during the winter break. H. Spencer advised the Board that a meeting will be scheduled to include the Board of Finance, Board of Selectmen, and Board of Education.

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

Enrollment Report

XX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by H. Spencer, 2nd by C. Sevarino, the Board entered into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and contract negotiations at 8:24 PM. The Board came out of executive session at 8:36 PM.

XXI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by H. Spencer, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:36 PM. The vote PASSED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Kennedy
Board Recording Secretary

Approved February 14, 2024