# EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

7:00 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 7:01 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, G. Resto, K. Betancourt, Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, A. Anderson, B. Kaminski, Student Representative V. Hernandez, M. Mosher, S. Charette, S. Muska, and J. Bowsza

## IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

On a motion by H. Spencer, second by F. Neill, the Board voted to move East Windsor High School track replacement from New Business: Discussion to New Business: Vote. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

On a motion by E. LeBorious, second by N. Farmer, the Board voted to add an update on the summer enrichment grant after the curriculum report. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

#### V. COMMENDATIONS

S. Charrette from East Windsor Park and Recreation announced the 2024 Limerick Contest Winners. The winners were Abigail Starvish, Violet Stephenson, and Kristina Keyes. Abigail and Violet were present at the meeting and read their limericks to the Board.

## VI. MINUTES

March 13, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes – On a motion by C. Sevarino, second by H. Spencer, to approve the Board minutes. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

#### VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Keith Yagaloff of Depot Street in East Windsor expressed his displeasure with the East Windsor Board of Finance recent budget decision. He thanked the school staff for attending the meeting and the Superintendent and the Board for their work on the budget.

#### VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

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

#### VIX. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- 1) April 10, 2024 BOE Finance Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
- 2) April 15, 2024 CANCELED Town of East Windsor Board of Finance Budget Workshop if needed at 7 PM
- 3) April 16, 2024 Town of East Windsor Board of Finance Meeting at 7 PM
- 4) April 24, 2024 Board Policy Review Subcommittee Meeting at 5:30 PM
- 5) April 24, 2024 BOE Regular Meeting at 7 PM

## X. HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

A. Anderson presented the high school report which highlighted the way the high school is utilizing MTSS to continue implementation of evidence and/or research based instructional strategies. A copy of the report was provided to the Board.

## XI. CURRICULUM REPORT

M. Mosher presented the curriculum report which detailed the new Sustainable Agriculture course being offered at the high school. There are 24 students enrolled in the course who are learning about all aspects of sustainable agriculture and making the connections between growing crops, using the crops in food preparation, and the business aspects of selling and marketing crops. D. Rouillard commended M. Mosher for his efforts in developing the course. A copy of the report was provided to the Board.

## XII. SUMMER PROGRAMMING UPDATE

D. Rouillard provided an update on the progress of the summer programming. A survey was sent out to local families with children who are eligible to attend the program. 78 families responded to the survey expressing interest in the program. Registration for East Windsor residents opens on May 1.

## XIII. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

Dr. P. Tudryn updated the Board on the progress being made with the FY2025 budget. He informed the Board that the East Windsor Board of Finance budget workshop resulted in a reduction of almost \$411,000 from the Board of Education's proposed budget. Discussion ensued relative to this information. The Board encourages residents of East Windsor to vote on the referendum on May 14.

## XIV. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

- 1) On a motion by N. Farmer, second by D. Menard, the Board voted for the disposal/destruction of the non-instructional surplus material as presented on page 15 of the Board packet. PASSED with a unanimous vote.
- 2) Dr. P. Tudryn informed the Board that an outside agency informed his office that the outdoor track would be unsafe to use after this season. Discussion ensued relative to replacing or repairing the track. The Board decided to wait until a later date to make a decision on the best way to move forward.

## XV. LIAISON'S REPORT

C. Sevarino advised the Board that the Curriculum Council was working on pathways and opportunities for dual certification for students and informed the Board of the members of the advisory committee which meets four times per year. N. Farmer updated

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the Board on the Athletic Council Subcommittee meeting where the track and the results of a survey sent to parents regarding interest in youth athletic programs were discussed. H. Spencer updated the Board on the Board Policy Review Subcommittee meeting where they discussed series 4000. D. Menard updated the Board on the Facilities Subcommittee where the track was discussed. The subcommittee is working on a survey for administrators for feedback on what they feel are the most things for the buildings. She informed the Board that Dr. P. Tudryn is working on arranging visits to local schools. N. Farmer requested the Board be able to visit East Windsor schools while they are in session.

## XVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

#### XVII. MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. P. Tudryn advised the Board that documents were provided for the demographic enrollment study and the results should be provided within two to three months. F. Neill advised the Board that Girl Scout cookies are still available. K. Carey-Trull attended the high school's performance of Snoopy and praised the students for doing a good job on creating a fun night. K. Betancourt advised the Board that some local families were not aware of the change in transportation for the Suffield VoAg program. F. Neill inquired about a district wide activities calendar.

## XVIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Drum set donation

# XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by H. Spencer, 2nd by F. Neill, the Board entered into executive session to discuss pending litigation at 9:04 PM. The Board came out of executive session at 9:14 PM.

## XX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by D. Menard, 2nd by E. LeBorious, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM. The vote PASSED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Jessica Ripley Board Recording Secretary

**APPROVED 04.24.24**