

EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
Special Meeting of Wednesday, May 28, 2025
5:30 p.m.
Broad Brook Elementary School, Room A5
14 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT

AGENDA

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ATTENDANCE

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

V. MINUTES

May 14, 2025 - Regular meeting minutes

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1) Speakers should preface remarks by stating their name and address.
 - 2) Please limit your comments to three minutes.
 - 3) This section of the meeting shall last no longer than 20 minutes.
 - 4) Any comments should be made in an appropriate manner. Inappropriate comments may result in the speaker being asked to leave. No speaker making an oral presentation shall include charges or complaints of a personal nature against any individual. All such charges or complaints concerning individual employees of the Board of Education should be sent to the immediate superior of the person to whom the complaint relates. All such charges or complaints concerning a Board of Education member or Superintendent of Schools should be sent to the Chairperson of the Board and to such other Board members deemed appropriate. (ref.BP 9325)
 - 5) Questions which can be answered during the meeting may be answered at the option of the Superintendent and Chairman of the Board of Education. Other inquiries which may require analysis/investigation will be answered at the next scheduled Board meeting.
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VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

May 27, 2025 - Budget Referendum
May 28, 2025 - BOE regular meeting at 5:30 PM
May 28, 2025 - East Windsor Board of Finance meeting at 7 PM
June 3, 2025 - EWHS Sports Banquet at 5 PM
June 7, 2025 - Ad Hoc Committee on School Renovation Planning meeting at 6 PM
June 9, 2025 - East Windsor High School Graduation at 6 PM
June 10, 2025 - Middle School Promotion Ceremony at EWHS at 6 PM
June 11, 2025 - Last Day of School
June 11, 2025 - Outstanding Student Ceremony at BBES at 6 PM

June 11, 2025 - BOE regular meeting at 7 PM
June 17, 2025 - BOE special meeting at 6:30 PM

IX. PERSONNEL REPORT

X. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

FY26 Budget

XI. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

First reading of Policy 5130: Tuition For Children of Non-Resident Employees East Windsor Public Schools

XII. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

Second reading of [all updated policies](#), to be adopted as of July 1, 2025

XIII. LIAISON'S AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

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XV. MISCELLANEOUS

XVI. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) East Windsor Greater Together Community Fund Grant Awards
 - 2) Email Regarding Flag Football Team
 - 3) May Enrollment Report
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XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1) Contract Negotiations
 - 2) Pending litigation
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XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
Broad Brook Elementary School, Room A5
14 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair K. Carey-Trull called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 (joined the meeting at 7:03 PM), C. Sevarino, K. Betancourt (left the meeting at 9:01 PM during miscellaneous), E. LeBorious, D. Menard, G. Resto (joined the meeting at 7:03 PM) N. Farmer (joined the meeting via Google Meet at 7:03 PM), Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, K. MacDonald, C. Gustafson, B. Kaminski, Student Representative M. Lukasik

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

On a motion by H. Spencer, second by E. LeBorious, to add Discuss Strategies for Public Hearing for FY25-26 Budget on May 20th to the agenda under New Business: Discussion. Passed with a unanimous vote.

V. MINUTES

April 23, 2025 - Regular Meeting Minutes: On a motion by H. Spencer, second by D. Menard, to approve the Board minutes. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

April 24, 2025 - Special Meeting Minutes: On a motion by H. Spencer, second by C. Sevarino, to approve the Board minutes. E. LeBorious requested the minutes be edited for clarity by removing the word "renovation" for the middle/high school project. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Representative M. Lukasik presented the Student Representative Report. A copy of the Report was provided to the Board.

VIII. ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ASTE STUDENT PRESENTATION

Rockville Agriscience seniors, Chayton Gonzalez and Emily Owens, along with teacher Grace Artioli, expressed their gratitude to the Board for the opportunity to participate in the program, highlighting the valuable experiences they will carry forward.

IX. EDUCATORS RISING PRESENTATION

C. Gustafson, along with EWS students Jack Kittredge, Rosaly Nogueurra, Thomas Ferrick, and Athalia Decker, presented information about the Educators Rising program, which is grant funded, to the Board. The group shared a summary of the activities they participated in this year, including a Youth Summit event where the guest speaker shared his experiences and the group participated in interactive activities in an inclusive and encouraging environment. Additionally,

the EWS students shared two lessons they created and presented to 4th through 6th grade students at the CT Association of Schools Elementary Leadership Conference at Asnuntuck Community College. Most recently, at EWS, the American Leadership Academy shared valuable information, including advice on building connections with students, during a symposium for both EWS and EWS students interested in becoming educators. C. Gustafson congratulated the students on their hard work and presented them with certificates. Dr. P. Tudryn recognized C. Gustafson for her hard work securing the grant and developing the program.

X. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION

A digital link to the 5000 series was presented to the Board. H. Spencer requested board members review the series and forward any questions to her.

At the request of Dr. P. Tudryn discussion ensued regarding the Board absorbing the Family Resource Center program. E. LeBorious inquired about getting the process approved by the Department of Education. D. Menard expressed concern with the additional workload and responsibility that would come with accepting the program. Dr. P. Tudryn advised he would reach out to other communities for more information to be shared with the Board. Board members were encouraged to email questions to Dr. P. Tudryn or J. Ripley.

Discussion ensued regarding the FY26 budget referendum and strategy for the May 20, 2025 Board of Finance meeting.

XI. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

On a motion by F. Neill, second by H. Spencer, to continue the meeting past 9 PM. Passed with a unanimous vote.

On a motion by C. Sevarino, second by F. Neill, to approve the appointment of Jim Stremper for Rockville Regional Agricultural Education Consulting Committee. Passed with a unanimous vote.

On a motion by H. Spencer, second by K. Betancourt, to change the regular meeting of June 25, 2025 at 7 PM to June 17, 2025 at 6:30 PM. Passed with a unanimous vote.

XII. LIAISON'S AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

C. Sevarino advised she attended the last Board of Selectmen meeting where the primary topic of discussion was solar. N. Farmer advised that the finance subcommittee meeting was cancelled. She attended the recent PTO meeting. The PTO had a successful year and are starting to plan for next year. The Athletic Council subcommittee met recently and a date for a summer meeting will be set in the future. Dr. P. Tudryn advised that admin spoke with CSG and the architects and they were able to decrease the square footage. K. Betancourt inquired about a response to the Board's letter to the Board of Finance regarding funding the school renovation projects. Dr. P. Tudryn advised the Board of a conversation he had with First Selectman J. Bowsza regarding the letter. Additionally, Dr. P. Tudryn relayed the outcome of a conversation with State Representative J. Foster regarding reimbursement relative to special programming.

XIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NONE

XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

Chair K. Carey-Trull thanked those who sat outside of Broad Brook Elementary School reminding people to vote. N. Farmer encouraged Board members to attend the art show at the library where student art is on display.

XV. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Dr. Tudryn's Letter Regarding Special Education Legislation
- 2) Emails re: High School Woodline Runoff
- 3) Email re: Pension Contributions for FRC Employees
- 4) Logan Miscione (BBES Student) NCTC Production
- 5) Email re: Rockville HS ASTE program

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by H. Spencer, second by C. Sevarino, to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, dismissal or the health of a public officer or employee, provided such individual may require that the discussion be held at an open meeting – Superintendent's Evaluation and pending litigation. PASSED with a unanimous vote by all members present at 9:06 PM. The Board exited the executive session at 9:20 PM.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by G. Resto, second by H. Spencer, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:21 PM. PASSED with a unanimous vote by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Ripley
Board Recording Secretary

The Student Representative Report BOE Meeting 5.28.25

Broad Brook Elementary School Report

Broad Brook Elementary School students are finishing their end of year assessments. They are working hard to demonstrate how much they have learned this year.

On May 13th BBES showcased their learning during Author's Day followed by a grade 4 band concert in the evening. Many parents and grandparents came to hear their child proudly share their writing. At the band concert, our fourth graders demonstrated how much they have improved over the year.

Grade 3 and 4 students who are interested in joining band next year participated in meet the instrument night on May 20 and 21. They selected their instruments so they will be ready to start lessons right away in the fall.

BBES has had two spirit days: Nature Day and Dress as your Favorite Character. While mother nature did not cooperate well on nature day, students were able to get outside for a little while to read and take a nature walk. On Dress as your Favorite Character day, many students embodied characters from Harry Potter to Dogman.

Middle School Report

EWMS has officially wrapped up iReady, SBA, and NGSS testing - great job to all of our students for their effort and focus! Last week, our Band and Chorus students put on two fantastic concerts, and it was amazing to see such strong support from families in attendance.

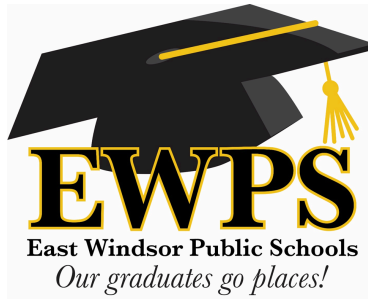
Looking ahead, on Thursday, May 29th, our 5th graders will be heading to Sturbridge Village, while our 7th and 8th grader Band and Chorus members will be attending the Fantastic Festival. It's shaping up to be an exciting end to the school year!

High School Report

Congratulations to Miley Cadorette and Ariyana Donatien for successfully completing and passing the CNA program, and officially earning their Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) licenses! Both students were awarded their certificate at a ceremony on Tuesday, May 13th.

These outstanding students balanced a rigorous 12-week program, including online classes, in-person instruction, and clinical hours, all while managing their high school studies. The CNA program is made possible through our partnership with VRABE (Vernon Regional Adult Based Education) and Connecticut State Community College, Manchester.

This marks our third year working with this incredible partnership, and we look forward to continuing this opportunity for students in the years to come.



Prepared: May 21, 2025

Appointments:

Jourdan Stebbins - Amin Assistant to the Director of Special Education, Central Office, effective 5/28/2025

Carrie Villar - Long Term Sped Teacher (covering a maternity leave), EWMS, effective TBD

Nicole Tardiff - Building Sub, BBES, effective 5/19/2025

Clarissa Diaz - Social Worker, BBES, effective 04/17/2025

Alison Cavanagh - Music Teacher, BBES, effective 25/26 school year

Luis Martinez - Summer Custodian

Josue Mercado - Summer Custodian

Jonathan Rodriguez - Summer Custodian

Tammy Lucey - Summer Custodian

Keirsten Walker - ESY Nurse

Sammone Pettway - ESY Nurse

Transfers:

Lauren Sanderson - SPED Teacher BBES, to BCBA BBES, effective 25/26 School Year

Grace Rojas - Perez - Spanish Teacher, EWHS & EWMS, to EWMS, effective 25/26 School Year

Carla Pusztai - Admin. Assistant to the Director of Special Education, to Business Office Associate, effective TBD

Resignations & Retirements:

Chaitaliben Chauhan - Paraeducator, BBES, effective 06/06/2025

Patricia Bancroft - Cafe General Worker, effective 05/30/2025

Kinjalben Sevak - Tutor, EWHS, effective 05/09/2025

Brittany Lamb, - SLP, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Kathryn Smyrak - School Nurse, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Jacqueline Rivera - Paraeducator, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Dawne Goodwin - School Psychologist, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Leah Dow - Pre-K Teacher, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Helen Thomas - Spanish Teacher, EWMS, effective 6/11/2025

Mary Ann Stroiney - School Nurse, EWMS, effective 6/11/2025

Kenlyn Strieber - Cafe General Worker, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Jamie Henkin - Music Teacher, BBES, effective 6/11/2025

Stipends:

Nicole Walker - EdRising Advisor, EWHS; effective 5/1/2025

Michael Brunt - EdRising Advisor, EWMS; effective 5/1/2025

SERIES 5130: TUITION FOR CHILDREN OF NON-RESIDENT EMPLOYEES EAST WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ADMIN RECOMMENDATION: NEW

BOE RECOMMENDATION:

TUITION FOR CHILDREN OF NON-RESIDENT EMPLOYEES EAST WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To support East Windsor Board of Education employees and strengthen efforts to attract and retain high-quality staff, the district allows non-resident full-time employees to enroll their children in East Windsor Public Schools, provided space is available and the following conditions are met.

1. Eligibility and Enrollment:

- A. Enrollment is limited to the duration of the parent's employment with the district.
- B. An annual enrollment application must be submitted and approved by the Superintendent or their designee.

2. Tuition Fees:

- A. Tuition shall match the rate established for families paying for full-day preschool within the district.
- B. Tuition payments must be submitted to the district prior to the beginning of each school year. Tuition payments will follow the same payment schedule as that used for the district's preschool program.

3. Tuition Waivers:

The Superintendent may waive tuition fees at their discretion for students enrolled in grades 1-12, considering financial hardship, equity considerations, or other appropriate criteria.

4. Additional Costs:

Parents or guardians are responsible for covering any additional costs beyond regular school programs, directly attributable to their child(ren).

5. Special Education Services:

The policy does not obligate East Windsor Public Schools to provide special education services beyond standard programs. If additional services are required, supplemental fees reflecting actual increased costs may be charged, in compliance with applicable laws.

6. Transportation:

Parents or guardians must provide transportation for their enrolled child(ren).

7. Conduct and Compliance:

Enrolled students must adhere to district behavioral standards. Continued enrollment is contingent upon compliance, which will be formalized annually through a written agreement between the parent/guardian and the district.

8. Exclusions:

Enrollment is not permitted for students currently expelled from any public or private school.

Legal References:

34 C.F.R. §104.39 (Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act)

34 C.F.R. §§300.130-300.144 (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act – IDEA)

Connecticut General Statutes §10-186 (Duties of local and regional boards of education re school attendance)

ADOPTED:_____

REVISED:_____

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **East Windsor Committee** <eastwindsorac@hfpgcommunityfunds.org>

Date: Fri, May 16, 2025 at 10:34 AM

Subject: 2025 Grant Award

To: <amasters@ewct.org>, <eastwindsor@hfpgcommunityfunds.org>

Dear Andrew Masters:

At the May 5th meeting of the GTCF Committee of the East Windsor Greater Together Community Fund (GTCF), the East Windsor High School Athletics Department request was carefully considered. Thank you for the opportunity to learn more about the work you are doing in our community!

We are pleased to inform you that the East Windsor GTCF Committee will be recommending a grant of \$5,000 to replace the High Jump Landing System to the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving (HFPG).

Please note that this notice is to inform you of what happens next in the grant review/approval process and not a notice of final award approval.

The Foundation will work with the East Windsor GTCF Committee to facilitate the review and approval of your grant application. As part of the necessary due diligence process to award a grant, a member of the HFPG staff and/or a representative of the East Windsor GTCF Committee may reach out to you or your fiscal sponsor (if applicable) with requests for clarification or additional information needed.

Once the GTCF Committee receives approval from the Foundation, you will receive a formal grant award letter announcing your grant award and containing additional information. At this stage, you or your fiscal sponsor (if applicable) will be asked for electronic payment information to process your grant payment.

Once again, thank you for applying and be on the lookout for additional communication from us.

Sincerely,

Robert Maynard, Chair

East Windsor Greater Together Community Funds Committee

Cc: Tasheenah Brown, Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

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From: **East Windsor Committee** <eastwindsorac@hfpgcommunityfunds.org>

Date: Fri, May 16, 2025 at 9:52 AM

Subject: 2025 Grant Award

To: <zstinson@ewct.org>, <eastwindsor@hfpgcommunityfunds.org>

Dear Zoe Stinson:

At the May 5th meeting of the GTCF Committee of the East Windsor Greater Together Community Fund (GTCF), the East Windsor Public Schools Music Department request was carefully considered. Thank you for the opportunity to learn more about the work you are doing in our community!

We are pleased to inform you that the East Windsor GTCF Committee will be recommending a grant of \$5,000 in support of your Timpani Tune-up Program to the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving (HFPG).

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Sincerely,

Robert Maynard, Chair

East Windsor Greater Together Community Funds Committee

Cc: Tasheenah Brown, Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

From: **Nichole DeSousa** <nichole.desousa@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, May 10, 2025 at 1:32 PM
Subject: Flag football team
To: Patrick Tudryn <ptudryn@ewct.org>

I had the pleasure of watching our East Windsor girls flag football team play today, and I wanted to take a moment to share how proud I am of our team—and especially of our coach.

During the semifinal game, tensions began to rise as the opposing team became visibly upset and things on the field started to get heated. Although our team was winning and would very likely have secured the victory, our coach made the difficult and selfless decision to forfeit the game in order to prioritize the safety and well-being of our players.

He told the girls, “If they want it that badly, we’re going to let them have it,” and although our players were understandably disappointed, I truly believe he made the right decision. His leadership in that moment reflected strength, integrity, and a deep commitment to our students.

Sometimes, it’s not about the win on the field—but the win in character. Today, our coach and our players showed exactly what it means to lead with courage, compassion, and respect. They made East Windsor proud.

-Nichole DeSousa

EAST WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS - ENROLLMENT 2024-2025									
	<u>Oct. 1</u>	<u>Nov. 1</u>	<u>Dec. 1</u>	<u>Jan. 1</u>	<u>Feb. 1</u>	<u>Mar. 1</u>	<u>April 1</u>	<u>May 1</u>	<u>June 1</u>
PreK	68	67	68	69	68	69	69	69	
K	66	66	64	66	63	64	64	65	
Grade 1	89	87	88	88	87	89	87	87	
Grade 2	78	79	79	80	80	79	80	80	
Grade 3	70	69	70	70	69	70	70	69	
Grade 4	70	70	71	72	71	71	72	74	
Total	441	438	440	445	438	442	442	444	
Grade 5	81	79	80	81	80	79	80	80	
Grade 6	71	70	69	69	69	69	69	69	
Grade 7	84	83	84	83	81	81	80	79	
Grade 8	82	83	84	83	83	83	84	84	
Total	318	315	317	316	313	312	313	312	
Grade 9	63	62	62	62	62	61	61	62	
Grade 10	72	72	72	71	69	69	67	68	
Grade 11	63	62	62	62	61	60	60	60	
Grade 12	61	62	62	62	61	61	62	62	
Transition Program	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	
Total	269	267	267	266	262	260	259	260	

Grand Total 1,028 1,020 1,024 1,027 1,013 1,014 1,014 1,016

There are 73 students enrolled in EWPS from the Choice Program as of October 1, 2024.

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PreK	79	77	75	74	71	72	71	73	70
K	87	88	89	88	90	91	90	90	90
Grade 1	82	82	80	79	79	79	78	79	78
Grade 2	72	72	70	69	70	71	71	70	69
Grade 3	74	73	73	73	74	76	75	73	72
Grade 4	86	87	87	87	87	89	87	86	86
Total	480	479	474	470	471	478	472	471	465
Grade 5	67	67	67	67	67	68	68	66	66
Grade 6	82	84	84	84	85	86	85	85	85
Grade 7	81	86	86	86	87	87	86	86	86
Grade 8	70	70	69	71	73	72	73	71	72
Total	300	307	306	308	312	313	312	308	309
Grade 9	72	73	73	73	73	73	72	72	73
Grade 10	62	61	59	62	62	63	63	64	64
Grade 11	65	68	68	65	65	65	61	62	62
Grade 12	57	56	56	56	55	54	54	54	54
Transition Program	11	11	11	11	11	9	9	9	9
Total	267	269	267	267	266	264	259	261	262

Grand Total 1,047 1,055 1,047 1,045 1,049 1,055 1,043 1,040 1,036

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