

**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. LeBoriosis, 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. LeBoriosis, 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. LeBoriosis 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