# East Hampton Board of Education

# East Hampton, CT 06424

**BOARD NOTES: January 13, 2020** 

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Mr. Goff, at 6:35 p.m. in the East Hampton High School T-Bell.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Mr. Goff, Ms. Oakley, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Amtmanis, Mr. Carlson, Ms.

Ordonez, Ms. Wick and Mr. Radavich

#### Administration and others present:

Mr. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Clark, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Mosier, Director of Special Education & Pupil Personnel Services

Ms. Asetta, School Business Manager

Mr. Verner, Principal of East Hampton High School

Mr. Warner, Assistant Principal of East Hampton High School

Mr. Lehmann, Principal of East Hampton Middle School

Mr. Kissinger, Assistant Principal at East Hampton Middle School

Mr. Sullivan, Principal of Center School

Ms. Gadoury, Assistant Principal of Memorial School

High School Student Representatives to the Board of Education: Robert Balda and

Emma Deveran

Mr. Goff noted that there was an issue with the posting of the Board agenda therefore there will be no voting at this meeting.

Mr. Goff read Lori Caldwell's letter of resignation effective January 12, 2019. Mr. Goff stated that the Board will now have to put into effect the policy on Board vacancies. Tomorrow Mr. Smith will notify the Town Clerk of the vacancy. A posting will be advertised and then a date for interviews will be set.

#### 3. Liaisons

- 3.1 Inter-Board Liaisons None
- 3.2 Labor Union Representative

Mr. Shilansky noted that staff were encouraged to attend tonight's Board meeting regarding Budget.

3.3 Update from Principals & Director of Curriculum & Instruction

The Principals and the Director of Curriculum & Instruction provided brief updates of current events at their respective schools.

Mr. Verner noted that he was notified this morning that Katie Tietjen is the VFW State Teacher of the Year.

#### 4. Audience of Citizen - None

The Consent Agenda was tabled until the next meeting.

- 5. Consent Agenda
  - 5.1 December 9, 2019 minutes
- 6. Student/Staff Recognition None
- 7. Committee Reports
  - 7.1 Student Board of Education Representatives
  - School activities
    - Now that we're back from break, the seniors are preparing for the first Capstone Expo which is scheduled for January 22
    - Students are also preparing for midterms this week
    - Looking forward to a fresh start in the 3rd quarter
  - Winter athletics are off to a great start
    - Girls basketball has a current record of 7 wins, undefeated currently
    - Boys basketball has a record of 4 wins 2 losses
    - Dylan Levesque of the co-op wrestling team with Portland has competed in several competitions and placed first at an invitational competition
    - Both girls and boys indoor track has been successful, collectively the team placed second in their last meet. Quite a few individual athletes continue to place in the top spots for their individual events at several meets.

#### 7.2 Personnel - None

# 7.3 Policy & Curriculum

Mr. Carlson noted that the Policy & Curriculum Committee met prior to the Board meeting.

#### 7.4 Finance, Transportations, Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Lambert noted that the Finance, Transportation, Buildings & Grounds Committee met last week and reviewed the Capital budget.

# 7.5 Liaison Reports

- LEARN

Ms. Ordonez noted that she attended the LEARN meeting and gave a brief overview of that meeting. She also noted that LEARN lost their Birth to 3 grant and will be phasing out in the next 6 months. They will not be offering that service anymore.

#### - High School Building Committee

Mr. Smith noted that he was notified by Chatham Health that we are now able to use the water at the High School. We've had 2 years of clean tests. Mr. Verner will send a letter home to parents. We will use up the bottled water in the building and then will switch over to the well water.

#### 8. Communications

- 8.1 Superintendent's Report
  - 2020-21 Budget Presentation by Superintendent

Mr. Smith did an overview of the Board of Education Budget, Budget Year 2020-21 for the Board. Mr. Smith noted that two weeks from now you will hear details from the Administrators regarding the budget. You will be able to ask questions at that meeting.

The 2020-21 Education Budget percentage increase is 3.75% and we need 3.75%. A discussion followed.

- 2020-21 Capital Update
   The first Capital meeting is Wednesday morning if anyone is interested in attending.
   Mr. Harwood and Mr. Fielding will attend.
- 8.2 Enrollment ReportMr. Smith reviewed the January 1, 2020 Enrollment Report for the Board.
- 9. Program Presentation None
- 10. Unfinished Business
  - 10.1 Review of recommended Policy 9000, Role of the Board and its Members and Board-Related Responsibilities (Second Reading)
    - This item was tabled until the next Board meeting.
- 11. New Business None
- 12. Future Business None
- Mr. Ordonez requested if there could be a tour of the Board of Education area.
- Mr. Cox noted that a move is hopeful around Easter Weekend.
- 13. Personnel Actions None
- 14. Audience of Citizens None
- 15. Calendar of Events as attached
- 16. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Ordonez Secretary AO/PS/rs

#### **Dates to Remember**

# **East Hampton High School**

Jan. 14: Junior Parent night

Jan. 15: Middle School Band, Jazz Band & Chorus Concert at the High School, 6:30

p.m.

Jan. 16 Junior Parent night Snow Date

Jan 16, 17, 21, 22 Midterm Exams

Jan. 31 Bellringer Day

TBD American Math Contest

Feb.5 Capstone

Feb.6 Capstone Snow Date

Feb.8 ACT's

Feb.12 EHHS Concert

Feb.13 EHHS Concert Snow Date

# **East Hampton Middle School**

Jan. 10: Grade 7 to Bushnell Theater

Jan. 15: Winter Concert at High School, 6:30 p.m. for parents (Jan 16 Snow Date)

Feb. 13: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance 6:00-8:00pm EHMS Commons

Jan. 15: Pennies for Patients Campaign begins

# **Center School**

Feb. 24: PTO Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at Middle School

Feb. 28: The Brain Show.

# **Memorial School**

Feb. 7: Author & Illustrator Jason Tharp visits 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Feb. 10: CAS Art Awards

Feb. 28: Brain Show PTO

# **Districtwide**

Jan 13: Board of Education Meeting

Jan. 20: Martin Luther King Day

Jan 27: Board of Education Meeting

Feb. 14: Professional Workshop

Feb. 17: President's Day & February Recess

Feb. 18: February Recess