

**East Hampton  
Board of Education  
East Hampton, CT 06424**

**MINUTES: February 10, 2020**

1. The meeting was called to order by the Acting Chairperson, Ms. Oakley, at 5:06 p.m. in the East Hampton High School Guidance Office Conference Room.

Members Present: Ms. Oakley, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Amtmanis, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Ordonez, Ms. Wick and Mr. Radavich

Members Absent: Mr. Goff

Administration Present: Mr. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

2. Anticipated Executive Session

- 2.1 To interview candidates for the vacancy on the Board of Education and possibly select a candidate for appointment.

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Mr. Carlson, to enter into executive session at 5:06 p.m. to interview candidates for the vacancy on the Board of Education and possibly select a candidate for appointment.**

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Wick, to exit executive session at 6:35 p.m.**

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Ms. Oakley, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Amtmanis, Mr. Carlson (left at 7:45 p.m.), Ms. Ordonez, Ms. Wick and Mr. Radavich

Members Absent: Mr. Goff

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. Kissinger, Assistant Principal at East Hampton Middle School  
Mr. Sullivan, Principal of Center School

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

Motion by Ms. Amtmanis, seconded by Mr. Lambert, to review agenda item #7 at this time.

7. Student/Staff Recognition

- 7.1 Recognition of Amieta Saluja, for being a winner of the Fire Prevention Poster Contest.
- 7.2 Recognition of Elizabeth White, for being a winner of the Fire Prevention Poster Contest.
- 7.3 Recognition of the Girl's Middle School Undefeated Basketball Team.

4. Liaisons

- 4.1 Inter-Board Liaisons - None
- 4.2 Labor Union Representative - None
- 4.3 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.

5. Audience of Citizens - None

6. Consent Agenda

- 6.1 January 27, 2020 minutes

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Mr. Radavich, to approve the consent agenda. Voted unanimously.**

8. Committee Reports

- 8.1 Student Board of Education Representatives

Student/Academic Update:

- AP Government and Freshman Civics classes were given a presentation by a journalist and lawyer, they presented information about student's first amendment rights. It was an engaging conversation that provided students with an opportunity to ask questions.
- On Friday the 8th graders came to the high school for a tour, seniors and juniors led them around the school. Also there was a student panel and select upperclassmen talked with the incoming freshman about different activities, clubs, and events to get involved in during their high school careers. Also, high school students shared a piece of advice to each of the incoming freshman.

Athletics:

- Girls basketball continues a strong record of 15 wins 1 loss. They have games on Wednesday and Saturday
- Boys basketball
- Indoor track did very well at their shorelines meet this past Saturday.
  - For girls, Liv Distefano came in first in the 1600m and 3200m , Brylee Montanari won 55m hurdles, Cassie Zimmerman placed first in high jump
  - For boys, the 4x4 team broke and set the indoor track school record, the meet record and placed first in that event

- 8.2 Personnel - None

- 8.3 Policy & Curriculum - None

- 8.4 Finance, Transportations, Buildings & Grounds - None

- 8.5 Public Relations Sub-Committee

Ms. Ordonez had their first meeting last week.

- 8.6 Liaisons Reports

- LEARN – Ms. Ordonez noted that she is unable to attend the LEARN meeting scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- High School Building Committee

## 9. Communications

### 9.1 Superintendent's Report

- Interactive Budget workshop

Ms. Asetta reviewed the Superintendent Proposed Budget, 2020-21, Other Funds and Grants for the Board and answered questions.

Mr. Smith noted that the Board will vote on the Board of Education budget at the February 24<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

- Board of Education Tour of New Town Hall  
Mr. Smith noted that members of the Board of Education can tour the Town Hall on Monday at 5:00.
- Armed Security Officer Survey  
Mr. Smith distributed the Armed Security Officer survey to the Board. At the February 24<sup>th</sup> meeting this policy will be first read. The Second read will be at the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting for the Board's approval.

### 9.2 Enrollment

Mr. Smith reviewed the February 1, 2020 enrollment for the Board.

## 10. Program Presentation - None

## 11. Unfinished Business

### 11.1 Review of recommended Policy 9010, Limits of Authority (Second Reading)

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Amtmanis, to approve recommended Policy 9010, Limits of Authority. Voted unanimously.**

### 11.2 Review of recommended Policy 9020, Public Statements (Second Reading)

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Amtmanis, to approve recommended Policy 9020, Public Statements Voted unanimously.**

### 11.3 Review of recommended Policy 9060, Board – Staff Communications (Second Reading)

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Amtmanis, to approve recommended Policy 9060, Board – Staff Communications. Voted unanimously.**

### 11.4 Review of recommended Policy 9110, Number of Members, Terms of Office (Second Reading)

**Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Amtmanis, to approve recommendation of the superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education Policy & Curriculum Committee and omit Policy 9110, Number of Members, Terms of Office. Voted unanimously.**

## 12. New Business

### 12.1 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9132, Standing Committees (First Reading)

**Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9132, Standing Committees. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9132.**

12.2 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.3, Committee on Policy (and Curriculum). (First Reading)  
**Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.3, Committee on Policy (and Curriculum). At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9132.3.**

12.3 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.4, Committee on Curriculum (First Reading)  
**Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.4, Committee on Curriculum. At the next meeting we will recommend that Policy 9132.4 be omitted.**

12.4 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.6, Committee on Public Relations (First Reading)  
**Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9132.6, Committee on Public Relations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9132.6.**

12.5 Review of Recommended Policy 9160, Student Representative (First Reading)  
**Review of recommended Board of Education 9160, Student Representative. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9160.**

13. Anticipated Executive Session (Guidance Office Conference Room).  
Executive Session did not take place.

**14. Mr. Lambert made a motion to hereby move that upon taking the oath of office (Nancy Kohler be appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Laurie Caldwell and to serve out the remainder of her term. Ms. Wick seconded the motion. Voted unanimously.**

15. Future Business

16. Personnel Actions

17. Audience of Citizens

Irene Kuck, stated that her children were brought up speaking two languages. It is critical for children to learn a foreign language early. Losing the foreign language teacher at the Middle School and a half time teacher at the High School was a big hit.

Kurt Kraminski, Wopowog Road, spoke in favor of taking French as a second language.

Nancy Oakley read a statement from Chris Goff. Would like to add 3 positions. One to Memorial, one to the Middle School and one to the High School.

18. Calendar of Events as attached

19. Adjournment

**19.1 Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Ms. Amtmanis, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Voted unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Ordonez  
Secretary  
AO/PS/rs

## **Dates to Remember**

### **East Hampton High School**

Jan. 29: Poetry Out Loud, Finalists Competition, 7:00 p.m.  
Jan. 31 Bellringer Day  
TBD American Math Contest  
Feb.5 Project Graduation, High School Library, 6:30 p.m.  
Feb. 6: Music Boosters, High School T-Bell, 6:30 p.m.  
Feb.8 ACT's  
Feb.12 EHHS Concert  
Feb.13 EHHS Concert Snow Date

### **East Hampton Middle School**

Feb 7: 8<sup>th</sup> Graders visit EHHS  
Feb. 7: 5<sup>th</sup> Graders visit the Middle School  
Feb. 12: Middle School PTO, Middle School Library, 6:00 p.m.  
Feb. 13: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance 6:00-8:00pm EHMS Commons

### **Center School**

Feb. 4: Author Visit Jessie Janowitz, 9:00 a.m.  
Feb. 5: Invention Convention, open to the public 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
Feb. 24: Elementary PTO Meeting, 6:00 at Center 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. 24: Elementary PTO Meeting, 6:00 at Center School  
Feb. 28: Brain Show PTO

### **Districtwide**

Jan 27: Board of Education Meeting  
Feb. 14: Professional Workshop – **NO SCHOOL**  
Feb. 17: President's Day & February Recess – **NO SCHOOL**  
Feb. 18: February Recess – **NO SCHOOL**  
Feb. 24: Board of Education Meeting