

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

MINUTES: January 27, 2020

1. The meeting was called to order by the Acting Chairperson, Ms. Oakley, at 6:30 p.m. in the East Hampton High School T-Bell.
2. Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Ms. Oakley, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Amtmanis (arrived at 6:35 p.m.), Mr. Carlson (left at 8:20 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. Lehmann, Principal of East Hampton Middle School
Mr. Kissinger, Assistant Principal at East Hampton Middle School
Mr. Sullivan, Principal of Center School
Mr. Gonzalez, Principal of Memorial School
Ms. Gadoury, Assistant Principal of Memorial School

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

3. Liaisons
 - 3.1 Inter-Board Liaisons - None
 - 3.2 Labor Union Representative
Ms. Sklar thanked the Board of Education and Mr. Smith for placing the Labor Union on the agenda.
 - 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.
4. Audience of Citizens - None
5. Consent Agenda
 - 5.1 December 9, 2019 special meeting minutes
 - 5.2 December 9, 2019 minutes
 - 5.3 January 13, 2020 notes
Motion by Ms. Amtmanis, seconded by Mr. Lambert, to approve the consent agenda. Voted unanimously.

6. Student/Staff Recognition

- 6.1 Mineth Kulatunga, a Center School student for Excellence in visual Arts.
- 6.2 Juliana Ware, a Center School student for Excellence in Visual Arts.
- 6.3 Beth Sklar, Music/Chorus Teacher at the Middle School who is retiring

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Student Board of Education Representatives

School Activities:

- Students just finished a week of midterms!
- Third quarter is starting and students are looking forward to a fresh start in the second semester.
- NHS is planning Mr. Bellringer projected for the end of February
- The first capstone expo was a success, the students put a lot of time and effort into their projects. They were very interesting, and it was really nice to see the different ideas that students had for their projects.

Winter Athletics:

- Girls basketball continue their successful season with a record of 10-1.
- Boys Basketball has a record of 7-3.
- Indoor Track, competed in a meet this past weekend. The boys 4x4 team won and the girls sprint medley relay team did well. Individual athletes continue to place in tops spots.
- Wrestler Dylan Levesque recently placed third in the Coltzer Abely Mid Season Classic at Mercy.
- Cheer had their Exhibition last Thursday to showcase their routine for parents and have competition coming up soon.

7.2 Personnel - None

7.3 Policy & Curriculum

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

7.4 Finance, Transportations, Buildings & Grounds - None

7.5 Liaisons Reports

- LEARN – The next LEARN meeting is February 13th
- High School Building Committee
The High School Building Committee will be voting to turn the High School building over to the Board of Education.

8. Communications

8.1 Superintendent's Report

- 2020-21 Budget: Principals' Presentation
- 2020-21 Budget Workshop

Mr. Smith noted that at the last Board meeting he presented his requested budget. Tonight the Principals will present their requested budget.

Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Lehmann and Mr. Verner and Ms. Clark reviewed their requested budget for the Board and answered questions.

Mr. Smith noted that Ms. Asetta will answer any questions that Board members may have at the February 10th Board meeting.

Kindergarten teachers advocated to the additional kindergarten teacher requested by Mr. Gonzalez.

A parent spoke in support of the additional kindergarten teacher.

Regina DellaVolpe noted that she is a foreign language teacher at the High School and spoke in support of putting the foreign language program back at the Middle School.

Tania Sones spoke about the enrollment in the district and noted that the district lost 50 students but 8 teachers. She is also in support of restoring the Math teacher. We need to activate more creative communication methods.

Mr. Radavich asked for additional information showing that smaller class sizes reap more benefits.

- Policy Update
- Replacement of Board Members – Procedure and Policy 9221

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)

Motion by Amanda, seconded by Mr. Carlson, to approve recommended Policy 9000, Role of the Board and its members and Board-Related Responsibilities. Voted unanimously.

11. New Business

11.1 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9010, Limits of authority (First Reading)

Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9010, Limits of authority. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9010.

11.2 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9020, Public Statements (First Reading)

Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9020, Public Statements. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9020.

11.3 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9060, Board – Staff Communications (First Reading)

Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9060, Board – Staff Communications. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9060.

11.4 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9110, Number of Members, Terms of Office (First Reading)

Review of recommended Board of Education Policy 9110, Number of Members, Terms of Office. At the next meeting we will recommend that Policy 9110 be omitted.

12. Future Business

Amy noted that the Library Advisory Board is looking for a Board of Education volunteer. Mr. Smith noted that he would put this out in his weekly reminder.

Mr. Radivich asked if the High School could do a presentation on the difference between honors and high honors. Mr. Smith noted that he will put a presentation together for March.

Amy asked about items that will have to be placed in storage once the Superintendent's Office moves into the new facility.

Amy asked if there is an update on the joint facilities director. Mr. Smith noted that that position is on hold.

13. Personnel Actions - None

14. Audience of Citizens

15. Calendar of Events as attached

16. Adjournment

16.1 **Motion by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Mr. Radavich, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 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: 8th Graders visit EHHS
Feb. 7: 5th Graders visit the Middle School
Feb. 12: Middle School PTO, Middle School Library, 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 13: 7th & 8th 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 2nd 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