

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

**MINUTES: November 21, 2016**

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Mr. Goff at 6:48 p.m. in the East Hampton High School T-Bell.

2. Anticipated Executive Session regarding a legal matter

2.2 Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Bushey, to enter into executive session and invite Mr. Smith to attend. Voted unanimously.

Members present: Mr. Goff, Mr. Barber, Ms. Barmasse, Ms. Williams, Ms. Bonaccorso, Ms. Sones and Mr. Bushey

Members absent: Ms. Devin and Mr. Carlson

2.3 The Board exited Executive Session at 6:59 p.m.

2.4 The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Goff, at 7:05 p.m. in the High School T-Bell.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Mr. Goff, Mr. Barber, Ms. Barmasse, Ms. Williams, Ms. Bonaccorso, Ms. Sones, and Mr. Bushey

Members absent: D. Devin & Mr. Carlson

Administration and others present:

Mr. Smith, Superintendent of Schools  
Ms. Briere, Interim Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
Ms. Asetta, School Business Manager  
Mr. Mosier, Director of Special Education & Pupil Personnel  
Mr. Fidler, Principal of East Hampton High School  
Mr. Lehmann, Principal of East Hampton Middle School  
Mr. Sullivan, Assistant Principal of East Hampton Middle School  
Ms. Clark, Principal of Center School  
Ms. Wilkie, Principal of Memorial School  
Ms. Gadoury, Assistant Principal of Memorial School

East Hampton High School Student Board Representatives: Emilee Karalus and  
Cassandra Villani

4. Liaisons

4.1 Inter-Board Liaisons – None

4.2 Labor Union Representative - None

- 4.3 Update from Principals & Interim Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
Ms. Briere noted that she attended a Middlesex Consortium meeting and gave an overview of that meeting.

Ms. Gadoury noted that Nick DeMore finished his Eagle Scout project by creating a Buddy Bench which encourages fostering friendships and taking care of others! A Buddy Bench gives recess children a place to hang out that shows others they are feeling a bit lonely/shy and would like an invitation to play. Once a child is asked off the bench to come play, the hope is that they'll have the confidence to go play with their new friends again the next day.

Mr. Fidler noted that the High School staff and students are still drinking bottled water. He hasn't received any further update.

Ms. Barmasse noted that she, Ms. Bonaccorso, Ms. Devin and Mr. Smith attended the CABE Convention.

5. Audience of Citizens - None
6. Consent Agenda
- 6.1 November 7, 2016 minutes
- 6.2 Resignation (as stated in 14.1)

Motion by Ms. Barmasse, seconded by Mr. Bushey, to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Voted unanimously.

7. Student/Staff Recognition
- 7.1 Recognition of Hunter Brazal and Molly Bentley, who will receive the Superintendent's Award of Excellence on Monday, November 28, 2016. These two students and their parents will attend a luncheon at the Saybrook Inn.

8. Committee Reports
- 8.1 Student Representatives
- 8.1.1 Emilee Karalus and Cassandra Villani, Student Representatives for East Hampton High School reported the following:

Mrs. Teitjen made a video for a conference that she presented about how our she has pushed our library to be very student centered.

Senior Superheroes was on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. The National Honor Society was able to raise \$216 through bids and the day went amazing. There were 18 groups total with up to 8 people in each group

The Fall Ball was on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> and approximately 160 students attended.

Girls soccer and girls volleyball teams both have their first game of the state tournament today.

Boys soccer team has their first states game tomorrow. The EHHS Drama Club presented *The Laramie Project: 10 years later* this past Friday and Saturday.

They had a good turnout and many of the people who attended said they enjoyed the show.

The High School Marching Band marched in the Veteran's Day Parade yesterday, October 6th. Apart from some ran in the beginning of the parade, everyone had fun and our band director, Mr. Groves, received many positive comments about our band.

HELO Haiti- Alicia Christensen's senior project • Veterans Day assembly. Last Thursday we had the school together for a presentation that was involved with one of the senior's projects. It was about the HELO organization in Haiti and a guest speaker came in and was able to speak about it and tell us her journey in creating the organization and watching it grow and be destroyed by natural disasters. Alicia's project is a fundraiser --The high school is having a competition to see which grade can donate the most money. As of right now we believe the senior class is winning.

Two weeks ago we had a Veterans Day assembly. We had some veteran guest speakers along with some student guest speakers; Hunter and London Brazal and Noelle Vaillancourt. Our EHHS band and choir also performed.

#### 8.2 Personnel Committee

Ms. Barmasse noted that the Personnel Committee has not met.

#### 8.3 Policy & Curriculum Committee

Mr. Carlson noted that the Policy & Curriculum Committee met prior to tonight's meeting and there are policies on tonight's agenda for the Board's review.

#### 8.4 Finance, Transportation, Buildings & Grounds Committee

Ms. Barmasse noted that the Finance, Transportations, Buildings & Grounds Committee has not met. She noted that she attended the Capital Committee meeting. The Capital Committee will meet again in December.

#### 8.5 Liaison Reports

Mr. Fidler noted that they are staying on top of the water issue at the High School. It is hopeful that the Building project will be done in May.

### 9. Communications

#### 9.1 Superintendent's Report

- Budget Update 2017-2018

The Town Council Budget statement is included in tonight's Board packet.

- Town Council Budget Policy Statement

The Town Manager to develop an ordinance to require that debt and capital be part of the Town budget and not part of the Board of Education budget.

### 10. Program Presentation

#### 10.1 PBIS

Ms. Briere stated that PBIS stands for Positive Behavioral Intervention & Supports.

Ms. Gadoury, Ms. Clark, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Manns and Mr. Fidler reviewed the PBIS Program in the four schools for the Board.

- 10.2 Special Education Update – Rodney Mosier  
Mr. Mosier reviewed the percentages of students in our district with different disabilities for the Board. He also reviewed the magnet school, VoAg and the Learning Center enrollment numbers.
- 10.3 Preliminary Tri-Board Budget Information  
Mr. Smith presented the Board with a copy of the budget requests and noted that this list will be emailed to parents after Thanksgiving. We still have November & December to put the budget together. Mr. Smith reviewed the budget information for the Board and answered questions.

There will be a Tri Board meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. in the High School T-Bell.

11. Unfinished Business

- 11.1 Review and approval of the 2017-2018 School Calendar, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading  
**Motion by Ms. Sones, seconded by Ms. Barmasse, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and adopt the proposed school calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.2 Second Reading of Policy 1700, Possession of Firearms on School Property  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 1700, Possession of Firearms on School Property. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.3 Second Reading of Policy 4111, Recruitment and Selection  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 4111, Recruitment and Selection. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.4 Second Reading of Policy 4112.5, Security  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 4112.5, Security. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.5 Second Reading of Policy 4112.51, Employment/Reference Checks  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 4112.51, Employment/Reference Checks. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.6 Second Reading of Policy 4121, Substitute Teachers  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 4121, Substitute Teachers. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.7 Second Reading of Policy 5131.6, Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 5131.6, Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco. Voted unanimously.**
- 11.8 Second Reading of Policy 5141.4, Reporting of Child Abuse, Neglect, and Sexual Assault  
**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to approve Policy 5141.4, Reporting of Child Abuse, Neglect, and Sexual Assault. Voted unanimously.**

12. New Business

- 12.1 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 3516.4, Sexual Offender Notification (First Reading)

**Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Sones, to remove Policy 3516.4, Sexual Offender Notification. Voted unanimously.**

12.2 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 3516, Safety: Safe and Secure School Facilities, Equipment, and Grounds (First Reading)

**This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 3516, Safety: Safe and Secure School Facilities, Equipment, and Grounds. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 3516.**

12.3 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 3517, Security of Buildings and Grounds (First Reading)

**This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 3517, Security of Buildings and Grounds. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 3517.**

12.4 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 3524.1, Hazardous Materials in Schools: Pesticide Applications (First Reading)

**This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 3524.1, Hazardous Materials in Schools: Pesticide Applications. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 3524.1.**

12.5 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 6154, Homework (First Reading)

This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 6154, Homework. **At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 6154.**

12.6 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 9221, Filling Vacancies (First Reading)

**This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 9221, Filling Vacancies. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 9221. A discussion followed.**

13. Future Business  
- Capital Update (12/5/16)

14. Personnel Actions

13.1 To accept Sandra Thomas' resignation as a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Center School effective June 30, 2016. Ms. Thomas is retiring.

15. Audience of Citizens - None

16. Calendar of Events as attached.

17. Adjournment

17.1 Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Ms. Barmasse, to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Barmasse  
Secretary  
JB/PS/rs

## **Dates to Remember**

### **East Hampton High School**

- Nov. 28: Girls Basketball starts
- Dec. 1: Senior Dinner, 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 3: Winter Athletics Start  
SAT's
- Dec. 10: ACT's
- Dec. 27 & 29: Holiday Basketball Tournament

### **East Hampton Middle School**

- Nov. 22: PBIS Assembly
- Dec. 14: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to Garde Theater in New London
- Dec. 16: School wide presentation on bullying. Theater Group performance in the gym, 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.

### **Center School**

- Nov. 22: EHEPTO Meeting, 3:30 p.m. at Memorial School
- Dec. 6 & 7: Math Professional Development with Peggy Neal from CREC
- Dec. 13: winter Concert at Center School
- Dec. 14: Winter Concert at the High School, 6:30 p.m.

### **Memorial School**

- Nov. 22: EHEPTO Meeting, 3:30 p.m. at Memorial School
- Dec. 1: PTO Box Top Collection Drawing
- Dec. 2: PTO Holiday Shoppe and Holiday Bingo, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- Dec. 13: PTO Holiday Shoppe

### **Districtwide**

- Nov. 21: Board of Education Meeting
- Nov. 23: Early Release Day for Staff & Students
- Nov. 24 & 25: Thanksgiving – No School
- Dec. 5: Board of Education Meeting
- Dec. 19: Board of Education Meeting
- Dec. 23: Early Release Day for Staff & Students
- Dec. 26 – Jan. 2: Winter Recess