

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

MINUTES: February 13, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Mr. Goff at 6:10 p.m. in the East Hampton High School T-Bell.

2. Anticipated Executive Session
The Board of Finance, Town Council, Mr. Maniscalco and Mr. Jylkka were invited to attend an executive session with the Board of Education to discuss bus contract negotiations.
 - 2.2 Motion by Ms. Barmasse, seconded by Ms. Devin, to enter into executive session and invite Mr. Smith to attend. Voted unanimously.

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

Members absent: Mr. Barber

Ms. Anderson, Mr. Reich and Mr. Hintz were also present.

 - 2.3 The Board exited Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.
 - 2.4 The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Goff, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School T-Bell.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

Members absent: Mr. Barber

Administration and others present:

Mr. Smith, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Briere, Interim Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Mosier, Director of Support Services & Pupil Personnel
Ms. Asetta, School Business Manager (arrived at 7:50 p.m.)
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: Cassandra Villani and Emilee Karalus

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. Gadoury noted that Thursday is Read out loud day.

Mr. Lehmann noted that tonight is McTeacher night and there was a good turnout.

5. Audience of Citizens

Ellen Nosal, 152 Main Street, spoke in favor of a part-time library media specialist at the High School.

Mr. Pethybridge, 9 Tammy Ann Drive, spoke in support of the .2 music teacher.

6. Consent Agenda

6.1 February 6, 2017 minutes

Motion by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Bonaccorso, to approve the Consent Agenda. Voted unanimously.

7. Student/Staff Recognition - None

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:

- The East Hampton High School Winter Concert is Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.
- Next Thursday is the Music Department's Broadway trip. They are going to see Phantom of the Opera.
- The Girls senior night for basketball is this Wednesday starting at 6:30.
- The Cheer team won another trophy at their competition this weekend.

8.2 Personnel Committee - None

8.3 Policy & Curriculum Committee

Mr. Carlson noted that the Policy & Curriculum Committee met prior to tonight's Board meeting and discussed some new course offerings. There are also some policies on tonight's agenda for the first read.

8.4 Finance, Transportation, Buildings & Grounds Committee

Ms. Barmasse noted that the Finance, Transportation, Buildings & Grounds Committee hasn't met.

8.5 Liaison Reports

- LEARN – None
- High School Building Committee – Mr. Fidler noted that the next meeting is next Thursday. Everything is moving forward and on schedule.
- NEASC – Mr. Fidler noted that the High School is in the middle of the self-study. They are right on track with what needs to be completed and in the fall everything will be written up.

9. Interactive Budget Workshop

Mr. Smith noted that this is an opportunity for anyone to give their input on the budget. He reviewed the budget discussion that took place at the Monday, February 6th Board meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed where we are now with the budget due to what the Governor presents as a budget. Mr. Smith stated that if anyone wants to make any changes to please submit them to him prior to Feb. 28th. Mr. Smith encouraged people to contact their legislators with their concerns and tell them how the governor's proposal will affect East Hampton.

East Hampton applied for and received a \$75,000 preschool grant. The grant is not for special needs students but for students that fall in a lower income.

A letter will be sent on behalf of the Board of Education regarding the Governor's proposal. Ms. Sones will attend the hearing. Ms. Bonaccorso is also interested in attending.

Mr. Smith noted that Chief Cox isn't available to attend a Board of Education meeting to discuss the resource officer.

Mr. Bushey noted that he doesn't want to see class sizes above 25. He also feels the JV coaches are necessary but not the high school business teacher or the high school resource officer at this time.

Mr. Smith noted that he should know the insurance increase by Feb. 23rd.

Ms. Williams is comfortable not having the high school business teacher, the resource officer or the guidance counselor but should keep the Center School teacher and the JV Coaches.

Ms. Barmasse stated that she agrees with Ms. Williams. Keep the Center School teacher, not the guidance counselor or the resource officer. Keep the JV coaches with the exception of cross country, keep after school programs and if we can squeeze in the .2 music teacher she is for that.

Ms. Devin noted that she would like to have more information on insurance and the resource officer.

Ms. Bonaccorso noted that she is in favor of the Center School teacher, the JV cheerleading coach and the guidance counselor or intern. The Business teacher and the resource officer can wait until next year.

Ms. Sones is in favor of the Center School teacher, the JV coaches and the .2 Music teacher. She doesn't support the Business teacher but a resource officer would be good.

Nancy Oakley, 71 Pocotopaug Drive, asked whether it is true that the money that is being taken from towns and put into urban towns can be used for non education costs? Yes.

Ms. Gadoury, Assistant Principal of Memorial School, expressed her gratitude to the Board for their efforts with the budget and advocating for the children and town.

Sherry Bannack, teacher at East Hampton High School, asked where East Hampton falls with the cuts? Mr. Smith noted that he doesn't have the whole formula but he will send out the information by town. She also stated that she supports the additional Center School teacher.

Jenna Pethybridge, a student at East Hampton High School, stated that she supports a .2 music teacher.

Lois Sprague spoke in support of the .2 Music Teacher and the 5th Grade teacher.

Mary Clark, Principal of Center School, thanked the Board for their support of the Center School 5th grade teacher position. She also noted that Mr. Brown does an outstanding job working with the students at Center School.

Bob Hine, noted that he is concerned with the budget process this year because of what the state is doing to us. We're going to lose some valuable teachers due to the governor's proposed cuts.

Mr. Goff noted that February 28th is the meeting that the Board will be voting on the budget.

10. Communications

- 10.1 Superintendent's Report
 - Bus Contract

Motion by Mr. Goff, seconded by Mr. Bushey, that the Board of Education recommend that the Town Council waive the bidding process for the bus contract. Voted unanimously.

- Important Dates
 - Mr. Smith reviewed the important dates for the Board.

10.2 Enrollment Report

11. Program Presentation - None

12. Unfinished Business - None

13. New Business

- 13.1 Review of Board of Education Policy 6172.11, Extraordinary Student Tuition. Consider for removal. (First Reading)

This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 6172.11, Extraordinary Student Tuition. At the next meeting we will recommend removal of Policy 6172.11.

- 13.2 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 5145.14, On Campus Recruitment (First Reading)

This is the first reading of the recommended Board of Education Policy 5145.14, On Campus Recruitment. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 5145.14.

- 13.3 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 5145.15, Directory Information (First Reading)

This is the first reading of the Board of Education Policy 5145.15, Directory Information. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 5145.15.

- 13.4 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 5141.213, Narcan (First Reading)
This is the first reading of the Board of Education Policy 5141.213, Narcan (First Reading). At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 5141.213.
- 13.5 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 5141.231, Psychotropic Drugs (First Reading)
This is the first reading of the Board of Education Policy 5141.231, Psychotropic Drugs. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 5141.231.
- 13.6 Review of Recommended Board of Education Policy 5141.21, Administering Medications (First Reading)
This is the first reading of the Board of Education Policy 5141.21, Administering Medications. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Policy 5141.21.
14. Future Business
15. Personnel Actions - None
16. Audience of Citizens
Mr. Richard Pettybridge spoke in favor of the .2 music teacher.
17. Calendar of Events as attached.
18. Adjournment
18.1 Motion by Ms. Bonaccorso, seconded by Ms. Devin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Barmasse
Secretary
JB/PS/rs

Dates to Remember

East Hampton High School

Feb. 16: EHHS Concert, 7:00 p.m. (snow date is Feb. 17)
Mar. 7: Sophomore Parent Night
Mar. 15: Winter Sports Awards
Mar. 21: Art Show, 5-6:30 p.m.
Mar. 22-27: Art Display
Mar. 31: Cabaret Night

East Hampton Middle School

Feb. 10: PBIS Assembly
Feb. 10: PTO Variety Show (revision – changed to April 5)
Feb. 3: 7th & 8th Grade Dance, 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Commons
Feb. 10: PBIS Assembly, 1:15 p.m.
Feb. 28 – Mar. 3: Book fair to coincide with parent conferences
Mar. 15: EHMS Drama Club Production, 8:30 a.m.
Mar. 17 & 18: EHMS Drama Club Production – Mulan, 7:00 p.m.

Center School

Feb. 9: 4th Grade Band Demonstration for Parents, 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 10: 6th Grade Math Visits, 1:00 p.m.
Feb. 14: Eli Whitney 5th Grade Project, 8:00 a.m.
Feb. 16: Elementary PTO Meeting @ Memorial School, 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 17: PTO Brain Show for Center School Students, 9:30 a.m.
Feb. 17: PTO Brain Show @ Memorial for families, 6:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 24: Volunteer Appreciation Day
Mar. 9: Elementary PTO Meeting @ Center School, 3:30 p.m.
Mar. 13 – 17: Book Fair
Mar. 14: Early release for Afternoon Parent Conferences
Mar. 16: Early release for Afternoon Parent Conferences

Memorial School

Feb. 17: PTO Brain Show, 6:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 16: Elementary PTO Meeting @ Memorial School, 6:30 p.m.
Mar. 2: Read Across America School Wide Celebration
Mar. 9: Elementary PTO Meeting @ Center School, 3:30 p.m.
Mar. 14: Early release for Afternoon Parent Conferences
Mar. 16: Early release for Afternoon Parent Conferences

Districtwide

Feb. 13: Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 20 & 21: February Recess
Feb. 22: Late Arrival for Students
Mar. 10: Professional Development Day – No School for Students
Mar. 6: Board of Education Meeting
Mar. 20: Board of Education Meeting