

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

**MINUTES: October 11, 2011**

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Mr. Vasquenza, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Hampton High School Library/Media Center.

Members present: Mr. Vasquenza, Mr. Laraia, Mr. Coolican, Ms. Robinson, Ms. Wall, Ms. Barmasse and Ms. Lane

Members absent: Mr. Piteo and Mr. Gemma

Administration Present: Dr. Golden, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Reich, Assistant Superintendent of Schools (arrived at 7:11 p.m.)  
Ms. Asetta, School Business Manager  
Mr. Fidler, Principal of East Hampton High School  
Mr. Dalton, Assistant Principal of East Hampton High School (arrived at 7:05 p.m.)  
Ms. Briere, Principal of East Hampton Middle School  
Mr. Lehmann, Assistant Principal of East Hampton High School  
Ms. Turchi, Principal of Center Elementary School  
Dr. Fitzsimmons, Principal of Memorial Elementary School  
Ms. Edele, Assistant Principal of Memorial Elementary School

East Hampton High School Student Council Representative: Jamie Sutcliffe

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Inter-Board Liaisons - None
4. Audience of Citizens - None
5. Consent Agenda  
5.1 September 26, 2011 Minutes

Motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Laraia, to approve the Consent Agenda. Voted unanimously.

6. Student/Staff Recognition - None
7. Committee Reports  
7.1 Student Council  
7.1.1 Jamie Sutcliffe, Student Council Representative for East Hampton High School reported the following:

The seniors Washington, D.C. was last week. The trip was a lot of fun. Some of the highlights were the dinner cruise, the Shear Madness Play, the Holocaust Museum and the National Zoo. Senior Marissa Morassini was the Middletown Press Girls Athlete of the Week last week. She was recognized for her achievements on the volleyball team. She ranks in the top five in the state for assists and aces per game. The volleyball team is 9-2 and their next game is tomorrow at home versus Hyde. The Cross Country

team has a meet tomorrow at Coginchaug. The girls' soccer team is 2-3-2. They are home Thursday against Hale-Ray. The boys' soccer team is 8-1 with their next game on Thursday at North Branford. The Interact Club will hold their monthly meeting tomorrow to plan for upcoming events and hold officer elections.

## 7.2 Personnel Committee

7.2.1 Mr. Coolican had no report at this time.

## 7.3 Policy Committee

7.3.1 Mr. Laraia noted that there are several policies on tonight's agenda for the Board's review. He requested that a Policy Committee meet prior to the next Board meeting to discuss uniforms, the handbooks and a survey.

## 7.4 Curriculum Committee

7.4.1 Ms. Barmasse had no report at this time.

## 7.5 Transportation, Buildings and Grounds Committee

7.5.1 Dr. Golden noted that the Transportation, Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> to review Bus Contract bids and administrative recommendations. Ms. Wall noted that the excavation began at Memorial Elementary School for the oil tank.

## 7.6 Financial Reports

7.6.1 Ms. Robinson noted that the Finance Committee has not met, however, there is a year to date report enclosed in the Board packet for the Board's review.

## 7.7 East Hampton Education Association – None

## 7.8 Liaison Reports

7.8.1 Ms. Robinson noted that the Girls' High School soccer coach was featured on High Five NBC news.

## 8. Communications

8.1 Dr. Golden reviewed the student enrollment figures as of October 3, 2011.

8.2 Dr. Golden reviewed the following communications for the Board:

- The Middle Ground, October 2011.
- The Center School Chronicle, October 30, 2011 and September 24, 2011.
- Dr. Golden briefly reviewed the Cohort & Math Comparisons for the Board and encouraged any members with questions to call or email her.

## 9. Program Presentation - None

## 10. Unfinished Business - None

## 11. New Business

11.1 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 5113, Attendance and Unexcused Absences (First Reading)

11.1.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 5113. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 5113 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration. A discussion followed.

- 11.2 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 6146, Graduation Requirements (First Reading)
  - 11.2.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 6146. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 6146 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration. A discussion followed. Mr. Coolican stated that there should be an existing policy on when class rank begins.
  
- 11.3 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 6146.11, Class Rank (First Reading)
  - 11.3.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 6146.11. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 6146.11 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
  
- 11.4 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 5125, Student Records; Confidentially (First Reading)
  - 11.4.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 5125. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 5125 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration. A discussion followed.
  
- 11.5 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 4118.11, Personnel-Certified/Non-Certified Nondiscrimination (First Reading)
  - 11.5.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 4118.11. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 4118.11 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
  
- 11.6 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 5145.4, Students – Nondiscrimination (First Reading)
  - 11.6.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 5145.4. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 5145.4 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
  
- 11.7 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 5145.5 Students – Sexual and Other Unlawful Harassment of Students (First Reading)
  - 11.7.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 5145.5. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 5145.5 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
  
- 11.8 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 0521, Affirmative Action/Non Discrimination (First Reading)

- 11.8.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 0521. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 0521 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
- 11.9 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 4116, Certified – Probationary/Tenure Status (First Reading)
  - 11.9.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 4116. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 4116 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.
- 11.10 Recommendation to Approve Board of Education Revised Policy 4117.4, Non-Renewal/Suspension (First Reading)
  - 11.10.1 This should be considered the First Reading of the proposed Board of Education Policy 4117.4. The Policy Committee encourages comments and/or recommendations. At the next meeting we will recommend the approval of Board of Education Policy 4117.4 based on the recommendations of the Board of Education, the Board of Education Policy Committee and the administration.

Dr. Golden noted that she received a large packet from CAFE and Sullivan, Schoen, the Board's law firm on bullying and safe school climate. She stated that this information will need to be reviewed and that most of the statutes require that committees be appointed and we have make a plan for using our current resources as much as possible.

## 12. Future Business

- 12.1 Dr. Golden noted that she is holding a question and answer session for Board candidates on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

## 13. Personnel Actions - None

## 14. Goal Report

- 14.1 Ms. Barmasse requested a copy of the Superintendent's Goals update which was done in the Spring and requested that the Vision Statement be placed on future Board agendas.

## 15. Audience of Citizens – None

## 16. Adjournment

- 16.1 Motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Laraia, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Wall  
Secretary

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