

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

MINUTES: April 5, 2010

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, Ms. Robinson, Mr. Laraia, Mr. Coolican, Ms. Barmasse, Ms. Wall, Ms. Lane and Mr. Gemma

Members absent: Mr. Piteo

Administration Present: Dr. Golden, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Reich, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Reas, Director of Support Services
Ms. Asetta, Business Services Coordinator
Dr. Berry, Principal of East Hampton High School
Dr. Gasper, Assistant Principal of East Hampton High School
Mr. Fidler, Principal of East Hampton Middle School
Ms. Turchi, Principal of Center Elementary School
Dr. Fitzsimmons, Principal of Memorial Elementary School
Dr. Ryan, Assistant Principal of Memorial Elementary School

East Hampton High School Student Council Representative: Walid Ahmad

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Inter-Board Liaisons - None

4. Audience of Citizens - None

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 March 22, 2010 Minutes

5.2 Childrearing Leave as stated in 13.1.

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

6. Student/Staff Recognition

6.1 Student Recognition – Model UN

6.1.1 Dr. Golden noted that Melissa Jordon, Dylan Bonoff, Andrea Nease, Jeff Fidler and Erik Guy Harper participated in the Model UN program with distinction and she and Mr. Vasquenza presented them each with a certificate.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Student Council

7.1.1 Walid Ahmad, Student Council Representative for East Hampton High School reported the following:

- The spring sports season has begun.
- The National Honor Society Induction will be held Tuesday night.

7.2 Personnel Committee

- 7.2.1 Mr. Coolican noted that the Personnel Committee was involved in negotiations with the teachers.

7.3 Policy Committee

- 7.3.1 Mr. Laraia had no report at this time.

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 Mr. Gemma noted that the Transportation, Buildings and Grounds Committee met on March 29th and reviewed the Conservation Plan, the Green Chemical Law, Standardization of Cleaning Procedures and the Discharge of Wastewater Regulation.

7.6 Financial Reports

- 7.6.1 Dr. Golden reviewed the projections for the Board and noted that after offsetting the deficit with excess cost reimbursement, a conservative projection of a surplus of \$52,367 is anticipated. Ms. Asetta has directed that all funds which are to be expended through the end of the year be encumbered by the end of next week so that she can begin to finalize these numbers for the close of the year on June 30. There is still a lot of time particularly with regard to the payroll. There are several payrolls plus the balloon payment right into June.

7.7 East Hampton Education Association – None

7.8 Liaison Reports

- 7.8.1 Ms. Robinson noted that the Public Relations Sub Committee met on April 1st and they are actively trying to get the word out about the budget and encouraging people to vote.

8. Communications

- 8.1 Dr. Golden reviewed the student enrollment figures as of April 1, 2010.
- 8.2 Dr. Golden reviewed the following communications for the Board:
- The Middle Ground, April 2010.
 - The Center School Press, March 2010.
 - The Center School Chronicle, March 26, 2010 and March 19, 2010.
 - An article by Don Blevin, President of CAFE entitled “Budget crisis affects us all”.
 - Dr. Golden noted that last week she and Mr. Reich attended a meeting with the Commissioner of Education at Ressler Park in the sky boxes. He reviewed the Race to the Top application and what has to be done to reapply. Dr. Golden will be bringing the Board information about the program at the next meeting for their consideration.

9. Program Presentation

9.1 NEASC Two Year Report

- 9.1.1 Dr. Golden noted that the NEASC requires a two year and five year report after accreditation which responds to actions taken regarding recommendations by the

visiting team in the report Dr. Berry has provided a copy of the progress report she submitted and the response from NEASC. Dr. Berry reviewed the report for the Board and answered their questions.

10. Unfinished Business - None

11. New Business

11.1 2010-2011 Proposed Board of Education Meeting Schedule

11.1.1 Motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Laraia, to adopt the attached recommended Board meeting schedule for the 2010-2011 school year. Voted unanimously.

11.1.2 Motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Barmasse, to explore the option of rotating the location of Board meetings in the four schools. Voted unanimously.

12. Future Business - None

13. Personnel Actions

13.1 To grant Katherine Tietjen's request for a disability leave commencing on approximately May 12, 2010 through approximately six weeks after the delivery of the baby.

14. Goal Report - None

15. Audience of Citizens - None

16. Adjournment

16.1 Motion by Mr. Laraia, seconded by Ms. Robinson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Wall
Secretary

SW/JAG/RS