

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

MINUTES: September 14, 2009

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. Hurst, Mr. Coolican, Ms. Barmasse, Ms. Wall and Mr. Gemma

Members absent: Ms. Pessoni

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

Also Present: Ms. Briere, Mathematics Coordinator
Ms. Hardacker, Language Arts Coordinator

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 August 24, 2009

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

6. Student/Staff Recognition

6.1 Introduction of New Certified Staff

6.1.1 Dr. Golden introduced Mr. Patrick Sullivan, Ms. Carolanne Pinto, Ms. Paula Bosco and Ms. Kristin Dean to the Board.

6.2 Friends of Education Awards

6.2.1 Dr. Golden noted that it is with great pleasure that she present to the Board for recognition those members of the community who have been nominated for a Friends of Education Award. The Friends of Education Award recognizes and honors people who have made an outstanding contribution to public education. The following people

are being recognized for this special award because they are deemed to truly be friends of education: Michelle Arcidiacono, Karlene Burke, Bill Cavanna, Kim Cordeiro, The East Hampton High School PTO, Kasha Morris, Julie Sabatino and Michelle Waterhouse.

The Board of Education took a break to serve refreshments in honor of the Friends of Education at 7:15 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Student Council

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

- The long anticipated and by some, dreaded, new school year has gotten underway. Students have developed a semblance of new schedules, classes, and teachers. Without a doubt, this coming year will exhibit the same measure of success that previous years have, if not more.
- The boys' soccer team has made its way through preseason and has high hopes for this year. Having fared well against tough teams in scrimmages, the boys and coaches are anxiously awaiting the game at Portland tomorrow night under the lights.
- The girls' soccer team, though young, has proved to be competitive in the preseason. In all likelihood the potential they displayed will come to fruition in the season. Their first game is Wednesday night against Portland under the lights. Both the boys' and girls' soccer teams hope to see hometown support at the games.
- The XC team shares the optimism of the soccer teams. In a practice meet, the boys won and the girls came in fourth; under the leadership of captains David Fitol, Evan Glaude, Liz Plummer, and Angie Galanto. The season ahead is projected to be a challenging and successful one, and the teams hope to have an exemplary showing at Shorelines.

7.2 Personnel Committee

7.2.1 Mr. Hurst noted that there will be a Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday, September 17th at 5:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office.

7.3 Policy Committee

7.3.1 Ms. Robinson had no report at this time.

7.4 Curriculum Committee

7.4.1 Ms. Barmasse noted that the Curriculum Committee will meet on Friday, September 18th at 10:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Conference Room.

7.5 Transportation, Buildings and Grounds Committee

7.5.1 Mr. Gemma noted that the Transportation, Buildings and Grounds Committee met prior to tonight's meeting and reviewed a possible land purchase, an update on the Memorial School roof replacement, an update on the Memorial School oil tank replacement, an update on summer projects and school tours. It was requested that the possible land purchase of 3.31 acres be placed on a Board agenda.

7.6 Financial Reports

- 7.6.1 Mr. Vasquenza noted that there was a year-to-date budget report included in tonight's Board packet. A discussion followed. Mr. Vasquenza noted that he would like to see the original dollar amount included in this report that the Board approved.

7.7 East Hampton Education Association – None

7.8 Liaison Reports

- 7.8.1 Ms. Barmasse gave a brief overview of the LEARN meeting that she attended last week.

8. Communications

- 8.1 Dr. Golden reviewed the student enrollment figures as of September 3, 2009.
- 8.2 Dr. Golden reviewed the following communications for the Board:
- The 2009-2010 List of Presentations
 - An Updated Board Directory
 - The Board and Administrator for School Board Members, September 2009.
 - Tracking Americans' Opinions of No Child Left Behind, Education Week, September 2, 2009.
 - The President's speech in case Board members have calls and have not read or seen it.
 - Memorial's Bulletin Board, September 4, 2009.
 - The Center School Chronicle, September 4, 2009.

9. Program Presentation

9.1 Discussion of the CMT and CAPT Student Assessment

- 9.1.1 The administration reviewed the results from the 2008 Connecticut Mastery Test, the Connecticut Academic Performance Test, the AP Exams, and the SATs for the Board.

9.2 Summer School Update – Mrs. Briere and Mrs. Hardacker

- 9.2.1 Mrs. Briere and Mrs. Hardacker updated the Board of Education on the "At Home Summer School Program".

10. Unfinished Business - None

11. New Business

- 11.1 Approval of the Senior Class Trip to Washington, D.C.
- 11.1.1 Motion by Ms. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Hurst, to approve the annual Senior Class Trip to Washington, D.C. from October 6 – October 9, 2009 as recommended by the Principal and the Superintendent of Schools.

12. Future Business

- 12.1 Dr. Golden noted that there will be a Finance Committee meeting at 5:15 p.m. on September 28th. The Board will then meet in executive session at 6:00 p.m. and then the regular Board of Education meeting will begin at approximately 7:00 p.m.

13. Personnel Actions - None

14. Goal Report - None

15. Audience of Citizens - None

16. Adjournment

16.1 Motion by Ms. Barmasse, seconded by Mr. Coolican, to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.
Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Barmasse
Secretary

JB/JAG/RS