

**EAST WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 11, 2024
7:00 p.m. - Room A5, Broad Brook Elementary School
14 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT**

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair K. Carey-Trull called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair K. Carey-Trull led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ATTENDANCE

In attendance: Chair K. Carey-Trull, Vice Chair H. Spencer, C. Sevarino (via Google Meet), K. Betancourt, E. LeBoriosis, D. Menard, G. Resto (arrived at 7:03 during Commendations), N. Farmer, Dr. P. Tudryn

Also in attendance: D. Rouillard, J. Martin, R. Galloway, C. Gustafson, B. Kaminski, T. Field, L. Daitch

Absent: Secretary F. Neill, Student Representative M. Lukasik

IV. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

On a motion by Vice Chair H. Spencer, second by D. Menard, to amend the agenda to add a vote on the June 13, 2024 special meeting minutes during agenda item six, Minutes. Passed with a unanimous vote by all members present.

V. COMMENDATIONS

C. Gustafson gave a brief summary of the North Chamber Acts of Kindness Award. L. Daitch introduced East Windsor Middle School student Charlotte Hebert and shared her accomplishments and a summary of the acts of kindness that led to Charlotte being nominated to receive the award. T. Field shared information about the other middle school award recipient, Jack Clifford. B. Kaminski shared information about the two high school students, Shamar Croome-Wilson and Roman Schiessl, who also received awards.

VI. MINUTES

- 1) November 13, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes: On a motion by Vice Chair H. Spencer, second by E. LeBoriosis, to approve the Board minutes. PASSED with a unanimous vote.
- 2) June 13, 2024 - Special Meeting Minutes: On a motion by D. Menard, second by Vice Chair H. Spencer, to approve the Board minutes. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

A copy of the Student Representative Report was provided to the Board.

IX. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

December 12, 2024 - BOE Special Meeting: Executive Session at 6 PM
December 17, 2024 - BBES Winter Concerts at 10 AM and 2 PM
December 18, 2024 - BPR Subcommittee Meeting at 5:30 PM
December 18, 2024 - East Windsor Board of Finance Meeting at 7 PM

December 21, 2024 - East Windsor Torchlight Parade at 5:30 PM
January 8, 2025 - Facilities Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
January 9, 2025 - Finance Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
January 10, 2025 - Athletic Council Subcommittee Meeting at 9 AM
January 15, 2025 - BPR Subcommittee Meeting at 5:30 PM
January 16, 2025 - EWHS Concert at 6 PM
January 22, 2025 - Curriculum Council Subcommittee Meeting at 6 PM
January 28, 2025 - EWHS Block Party at 6 PM

Dr. P. Tudryn highlighted the January 9, 2025 Finance Subcommittee meeting, moved to accommodate a Facilities Subcommittee Meeting.

X. POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE AND EQUITY REPORT

C. Gustafson presented the Positive School Climate and Equity Report. The report focused on how the School Climate and Equity Committee is working to create positive connections with families and a positive learning environment, in alignment with the second goal in the district's strategic plan. C. Gustafson shared information on legislative updates, social emotional learning lessons and district practices, the district's commitment to restorative practices and family engagement, as well as community partnerships and engagement. A copy of the report was provided to the Board.

XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. P. Tudryn provided an update on the work being done in the Facilities Subcommittee. Ed. Specs meetings have taken place at all three schools. CSG representatives advised the initial draft of the Ed. Specs should be out this month. J. Giuliano of CSG advised that there have been five bids for the architecture RFP. Ira Yellen reviewed a two month timeline and plan for engaging community members in the project. D. Menard spoke to the suggestion of a de facto subcommittee of the Board of Selectmen including members of the BOE Facilities Subcommittee and members of town groups and committees. Dr. P. Tudryn provided further clarification and information. Discussion ensued regarding concern related to how rushed Board members feel the timeline has become as well as the potential creation of an additional subcommittee. Dr. P. Tudryn will be creating a shared document where Board members can add questions for CSG in advance of the next regular meeting.

XII. PERSONNEL REPORT

A copy of the personnel report was provided to the Board.

XIII. FINANCE REPORT

R. Galloway presented the Finance Report to the Board. Funding for the Teacher Residency Program was discussed briefly. Discussion ensued regarding asking state representatives to speak at a regular board meeting. Chair K. Carey-Trull will be looking into their availability.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS: VOTE

On a motion by Vice Chair H. Spencer, second by K. Betancourt, to approve the Board of Education goals as presented. Discussion ensued regarding how the Board would monitor

meeting their goals. The topic will be added to the agenda for discussion at the next regular Board meeting. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

XV. LIAISON AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice Chair H. Spencer advised that the Board of Selectmen accepted the recommendations of Capital Improvement Planning and the recommendations will be forwarded to a Town Meeting. She further advised that the Board Policy Review subcommittee will be reviewing the 9000 Series Policies. N. Farmer advised that the PTO is holding their holiday store. They are in need of morning volunteers for the final day, December 12th.

XVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

XVII. MISCELLANEOUS

K. Betancourt shared that the first home scrimmage for the Tri Town hockey team is Saturday, December 14th, at the rink in Enfield. Chair K. Carey-Trull reminded the Board about community events like the Torchlight Parade. D. Menard inquired about regular Board of Education meetings being live streamed. Dr. P. Tudryn advised that work is being done to facilitate that via Google Meet in the new year.

XVIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Copies of the 2025 Board of Education subcommittee meeting schedule and the December enrollment report were provided to the Board. Dr. P. Tudryn highlighted the ESSER Report which recognizes East Windsor Public Schools strategic spending of ESSER funds. Chair K. Carey-Trull commended Dr. Tudryn on his efforts. Dr. P. Tudryn thanked R. Galloway and D. Rouillard for their work as well.

XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by K. Betancourt, second by Vice Chair H. Spencer, the Board entered into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and contract negotiations. PASSED with a unanimous vote. The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:25 PM. The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:55 PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by N. Farmer, second by K. Betancourt, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM. PASSED with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Ripley
Board Recording Secretary