

**SPECIAL MEETING  
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**THURSDAY,  
AUGUST 20, 2020**

A Special Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Thursday, August 20, 2020, via Zoom Meeting.

The Meeting was called to order at 12:03 PM by Chairman Bryan R. Hall.

**PRESENT** Chairman Bryan R. Hall, Secretary Tyron V. Harris, Harry Amadasun Jr.,  
Vanessa Jenkins, Marilyn Pet, Dorese Roberts, Tom Rup, Valerie Scheer and  
Stephanie Watkins (12:28 PM)

**ALSO PRESENT** Nathan Quesnel, Superintendent of Schools  
Chris Wethje, Director of Human Resources

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The following members of the public commented positively on the agenda item presented at today's meeting:

**Tracey Lafayette**, 905 Burnside Avenue, East Hartford

**Tia Woods**, 4 Simmons Road, East Hartford

**Awet Tsegai**, 19 Home Terrace, East Hartford

**Robin Mitchell**, 139 Columbus Circle, East Hartford

**Emily Napear**, 370 Asylum Ave #306, Hartford

**Rachel Botts**, 131 Jessica Drive, East Hartford

**Melissa Sue John**, 41 Henderson Drive, East Hartford

**Octavia Moore**, 9 Ellsworth Street, East Hartford

**Libby Grey**, 16 Ellsworth Street, East Hartford

**OLD BUSINESS**

**To Remove from Table for Review and Possible Action the Renaming of the Columbus Day Holiday**

**MOTION** By Dorese Roberts  
Seconded by Tyron Harris  
To Approve the Renaming of the Columbus Day Holiday (October 12<sup>th</sup>) to Indigenous Peoples' Day  
Motion carried with vote 8-1.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** By Tyron Harris  
Seconded by Vanessa Jenkins  
To Adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board (12:45 PM)  
Motion unanimously carried.