

**SPECIAL MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 27, 2009**

A Special Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Thursday, August 27, 2009, at East Hartford Public Schools Administration Building, 1110 Main Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes.

PRESENT Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes, Secretary Ram Aberasturia,
Robert Damaschi, Dorese Roberts, Marcus Oladell, IV,
Karen Howe, Anita Morrison, Bryan Hall

ALSO PRESENT Mark Zito, Superintendent of Schools
Christopher Wethje, Director of Human Resources
Al Costa, Director of Facilities

ABSENT: Hilde Mayranen-O'Brien

Discussion with Possible Action Regarding the Proposed 2010-2013 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the East Hartford Education Association

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV
To approve the 2010-2013 Collective Bargaining Agreement
between the East Hartford Education Association and the
East Hartford Board of Education
Motion unanimously carried.

Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes stated she is impressed with this contract. Superintendent Zito stated we will prepare a narrative for the Town Council.

Mr. Mainuli noted the district will save approximately \$1.5 million by having a hard freeze on COLA and step increases next year. The hard freeze will keep payroll costs for teachers at the same levels as the current fiscal year. The insurance co-pays for health and dental benefits will increase from 18% to 19% over the three years of the proposed agreement. This increase in co-pay contributions will save the school district approximately \$120,000 in insurance benefit costs over the three years. Mr. Mainuli further noted this contract will allow us to control our expenses for the next two to three years. He also commended EHEA for their efforts in negotiating this agreement.

Discussion with Possible Action Regarding Request for Building Rental Fee Waiver for East Catholic High School

MOTION By Marcus Oladell, IV
Seconded by Karen Howe
To approve the request for East Catholic High School for building use rental and to charge them the "local in town" rate, plus custodial fees.
Motion carried. Nay: Robert Damaschi

Recorded by: Donna Fitzgerald