

**REGULAR MEETING  
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,  
NOVEMBER 15, 2010**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, November 1, 2010, at the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes.

**PRESENT** Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes, Secretary Ram Aberasturia, Dorese Roberts, Marcus Oladell, IV, Tyron Harris, Julie Kieras, Anita Morrison, Bryan Hall, Jeffrey Currey

**ALSO PRESENT** Mark Zito, Superintendent of Schools  
Debbie Kaprove, Assistant Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Sharon Bremner, Director of Pupil Personnel  
Al Costa, Director of Facilities  
Paul Mainuli, Director of Finance  
Christopher Wethje, Director of Human Resources  
Kim Tran, Student Representative, BOE

**RECOGNITION OF CAPSS AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**(Matt Ryan, Principal, EHHS)**

**(Art Arpin, Principal, CIBA)**

**(Helene Marchese, Principal, Woodland)**

**(Nathan Quesnel, Principal, EHMS)**

**(John Karzar, Principal, Stevens)**

Superintendent Zito noted the recipients of the CAPSS Award have outstanding character and leadership qualities as well as having achieved high academic performance. The following students were recognized by the Board as CAPSS Award recipients:

**East Hartford High School**

Stefon Hall	Grade 12
Lovely Jourdan	Grade 10
Jahmal Mitchell	Grade 11
Kayla Rodriguez	Grade 9

**Connecticut IB Academy**

Nicole Damaschi	Grade 11
Sonal Muzumdar	Grade 11

**East Hartford Middle School**

Shawn Murdzek	Grade 8
Tatyana Rivera	Grade 8

**Woodland School**

Jomary Ruiz	Grade 11
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**Stevens School**

Destiny Vega

Grade 12

Each student received a certificate and gift card to Barnes & Noble bookstore from the Board.

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA** - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** By Anita Morrison  
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of October 26, 2010  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Ram Aberasturia  
Seconded by Anita Morrison  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of October 26, 2010  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Bryan Hall  
Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Regular Meeting of November 1, 2010  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Anita Morrison  
Seconded by Bryan Hall  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of November 1, 2010  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Ram Aberasturia  
Seconded by Julie Kieras  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of November 3, 2010  
Motion unanimously carried.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD** - None

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

**Kim Tran, Student Representative to the Board**

- November 19<sup>th</sup> – Pep Rally will be held at the end of the day;
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Celebration of Excellence at 5 P.M. at EHHS Library for all of the qualifying scores for AP exams and CAPT scholars;

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- November 19<sup>th</sup> – Football game will be held at 6 P.M. The game has been moved from Rentschler to EHHS.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - None

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

**Human Resources/Appointments/No Action Required**

**Chairperson/ Superintendent Reports**

**Superintendent Mark Zito**

- Congratulations to the CAPSS scholars – well deserved;
- Thank you to Mayberry Elementary School teacher, Rob Monte, an artist who has donated drawings for a fundraiser to be held this weekend for childhood cancer research. The fundraiser is being held in Stamford this weekend.

**Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes**

- An appeal to parents - make sure your children are doing their homework and reading; we have a mentoring program in East Hartford and you are encouraged to become a mentor. If interested, please call the Superintendent's office and you will be directed to the proper person;
- Thank you to teachers and staff for supplying their sick time to fellow staff members whose sick time was depleted.

**Special Committee Reports**

**Policy & Audit – Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes** – meeting scheduled for November 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:15 P.M.;

**Curriculum – Dorese Roberts** – meeting was held this past Monday; next meeting will be held on December 13<sup>th</sup>;

**Facilities – Bryan Hall** – meeting was held this evening at 6:00 P.M.; the next meeting is scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 P.M., prior to the Regular Board meeting at 7:00 P.M.

**Finance & Audit – Ram Aberasturia** - meeting scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:30 P.M.

**PERSONNEL**

**MOTION**

By Ram Aberasturia

Seconded by Anita Morrison

To approve four **Resignations:**

1. Julie A. Steffenson, Title I Tutor, effective 10/29/10;
2. Norman Bailey, Behavior Manager, effective 10/29/10;
3. Edmund F. Dwyer, Priority Tutor, effective 11/5/10;
4. Jennifer L. Rykowski, Title I Tutor, effective 11/24/10.

Motion unanimously carried.

**OLD AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approve Proposed Student Substance Use Survey**

**(Bonnie Smith, East of the River Action for Substance)**

**(MOTION**           By Jeffrey Currey  
                          Seconded by Anita Morrison  
                          To **table** the proposed Student Substance Use Survey  
                          Motion unanimously carried.

**Approve Non-Certified Staff Member's Use of Employee Sick Bank**

**(Debbie Kaprove, Assistant Superintendent)**

**(MOTION**           By Ram Aberasturia  
                          Seconded by Marcus Oladell, IV  
                          To approve non-certified staff member's use of  
                          Employee Sick Bank

**REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**Ram Aberasturia** – attended the Connecticut Forum last Thursday;

**Anita Morrison** – a reminder: Child Plan annual fundraiser will be held on Friday at the Cultural Center.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - None

**QUESTIONS/CONCERNS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

**Dorese Roberts** re: Curriculum Committee will be presenting the Phonics curriculum at the December 6, 2010 board meeting.

**TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** - None

**MOTION**           By Marcus Oladell, IV  
                          Seconded by Ram Aberasturia  
                          To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (8:10 P.M.)  
                          Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Donna Fitzgerald