

**REGULAR MEETING  
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,  
JULY 18, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, July 18, 2011, at the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes.

**PRESENT** Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes, Secretary Jeffrey Currey, Marcus Oladell, IV, Anita Morrison, Tyron Harris, Christopher Gentile, Dorese Roberts, Bryan Hall

**ABSENT** Julie Kieras

**ALSO PRESENT** Dr. Mark Zito, Superintendent of Schools  
Debbie Kaprove, Assistant Superintendent of Schools  
Christopher Wethje, Director of Human Resources  
Paul Mainuli, Director of Finance

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA** - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** By Bryan Hall  
Seconded by Anita Morrison  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of June 20, 2011  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Jeffrey Currey  
Seconded by Anita Morrison  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Regular Meeting of June 20, 2011  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Bryan Hall  
Seconded by Dorese Roberts  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of June 27, 2011  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION** By Jeffrey Currey  
Seconded by Dorese Roberts  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Meeting of June 27, 2011  
Motion unanimously carried.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

- Reminder: Please register your child prior to August 11<sup>th</sup> to begin school on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Registration is at Central Registration, 1110 Main Street; hours are 8-4 P.M. Information is also posted on our Web site;

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- Please see our Web site for information on our uniform policy.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT** - None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - None

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

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

**Check Presentation to Project Lead the Way from East Hartford Rotary**

**(Bill Saunders, former President, East Hartford Rotary)**

**(George Schoen, former President, East Hartford Rotary)**

**(Art Bradbury, East Hartford Rotary)**

The East Hartford Rotary presented a \$2,000 check to the Board of Education to support Project Lead the Way. This program focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. The Rotary Club has made a total of \$40,000 over the last four years for Project Lead the Way.

**Chairperson/ Superintendent Reports**

**Superintendent, Dr. Mark Zito**

- Superintendent Zito again thanked the Rotary Club for its support of Project Lead the Way;
- Summer school has been up and running – we are happy with the attendance;
- Thank you to Mr. Costa and his staff – it has been a busy summer for them; the following has been completed or near completion: asbestos removal at STEM; O’Connell and Norris roofs are being done; portables will be out of Willowbrook by the end of July; Goodwin roof is 65% done – we are on schedule; lockers are being done at EHMS;
- It has also been a busy summer regarding hiring;
- The uniform store at EHHS is packed with its inventory and ready to go.

**Chairperson Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes**

- It is a summer treat to slow down on BOE meetings – we have one meeting in July and one scheduled in August;
- I encourage families to read to your children – take them to the library;
- Stay safe – we have an exciting school year coming up;
- If you are having a problem affording uniforms, please call the Superintendent’s Office, we will work with you to see if you qualify for assistance.

**Special Committee Reports**

**Policy & Audit – Bryan Hall** – next meeting September 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 P.M.

**Curriculum – Dorese Roberts** – next meeting September 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 P.M.

**Facilities – Anita Morrison** –no meeting scheduled.

**Finance & Audit – Jeffrey Currey** – next meeting September 14th 5:30 P.M.

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**PERSONNEL**

**MOTION**

By Anita Morrison  
Seconded by Bryan Hall  
To approve the following **Nine (9) Resignations:**  
1. Tiffany G. Golas, Sped/Para, effective 6/20/11  
2. Brenda Baerga, Priority Tutor, effective 6/16/11  
3. Bienvenida Nazario, Bilingual Tutor, effective 6/30/11  
4. Lindsay L. Lahaie, Sped/Para, effective 6/20/11  
5. Kendra A. Hansis, English Teacher, effective 6/20/11  
6. Michael A. Bono, Tech. Education, effective 6/30/11  
7. Eileen K. Kiely, Elementary Teacher, effective 6/30/11  
8. Valentin-Cruz, Ruth, Spanish Teacher, effective 6/29/11  
Motion unanimously carried.

**MOTION**

By Christopher Gentile  
Seconded by Bryan Hall  
To approve the following **Two (2) Retirements:**  
1. Gloria Alff, Elementary Teacher, effective 6/30/11  
2. Robert W. Gamache, Custodian I, effective 9/30/11  
Motion unanimously carried.

**OLD AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approve the Primary Mental Health Program Grant**

**(Teresa Mason, Program Coordinator)**

**MOTION**

By Anita Morrison  
Seconded by Bryan Hall  
To approve Primary Mental Health Program Grant  
Motion unanimously carried.

**Approve Family Resource Center Grant – Hockanum School**

**(Marybeth Kuzoian, Director, Out of School Programs)**

**MOTION**

By Bryan Hall  
Seconded by Jeffrey Currey  
To approve Family Resource Center Grant – Hockanum School  
Motion unanimously carried.

**Approve Family Resource Center Grant – Silver Lane School**

**(Marybeth Kuzoian, Director, Out of School Programs)**

**MOTION**

By Marcus Oladell, IV  
Seconded by Anita Morrison  
To approve Family Resource Center Grant – Silver Lane School  
Motion unanimously carried.

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**Approve East Hartford/Glastonbury Magnet School Contract**

**(Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services)**

**MOTION**

By Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes

Seconded by Jeffrey Currey

To **table** the agreement between East Hartford and CREC to operate the Glastonbury-East Hartford Elementary Magnet School, pending inclusion of language under No. 5 Item C to allow East Hartford students to have access to the planetarium during non-school hours, and bring back to the Board for its approval at a future Regular Board Meeting.

Motion unanimously carried.

**Public Participation** - None

**Questions and Concerns by Board Members**

**Bryan Hall** – Kudos to Matt Ryan for an excellent graduation – EHHS staff did a great job. It's nice to hear positive things.

**Marcus Oladell, IV** –re: football field – what is the timing of the water setting. Mr. Mainuli will check with Mr. Costa re: the sprinkler system. Joseph LeRoy, Athletic Director stated the field is in great shape.

**Topics for Future Agendas**

**MOTION**

By Marcus Oladell, IV

Seconded by Anita Morrison

To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (7:58 P.M.)

Recorded by: Donna Fitzgerald