

**REGULAR MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
MARCH 6, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, March 6, 2017, in the Lecture Hall of the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Bryan R. Hall.

PRESENT Chairman Bryan R. Hall, Secretary Tyron V. Harris, Dorese Roberts, Tom Rup, Marilyn Pet, Shelby Brown, Valerie Scheer

ABSENT Stephanie Watkins, Harry Amadasun, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT Nathan Quesnel, Superintendent of Schools
Cynthia Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Schools
Anne Marie Mancini, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Curriculum
Christopher Wethje, Director of Human Resources
Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services
Dr. Sharon Bremner, Director of Pupil Personnel
Benjamin Whittaker, Director of Facilities

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA – Yes, Create a Consent Calendar for items 10-24 Under New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve the following Minutes:
Regular Board of Education Meeting, February 13, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, February 22, 2017 at 5:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, March 1, 2017 at 5:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – None

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STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Jessica Moise, Bridget Northey

- **March 8th**: College Information Night-Parents and students will be given a timeline for senior year.
- **March 11th**: Swim Meet- Boys Class LL Swim Meet at 11:00 AM.
- **March 15th**: Dodgeball Tournament-EHHS will be holding a dodgeball tournament featuring student and faculty teams.
- **March 18th**: Spring Sports Tryouts
- **March 22nd**: Annual Talent Show hosted by Tri-M Music Honors Society

Public Participation – None

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Human Resources/No Action Required

Chairman's Report –

Bryan R. Hall

Good evening to my fellow Board Members and our viewing public. It's March and the March to the end of the year officially begins. We have had a busy and productive past two weeks and I am looking forward to our meeting tonight.

Tonight I wanted to start off our meeting with a brief re-cap of our budget presentation to the Town Council last week where our Superintendent, Director of Business Services, entire Senior Team and Board Member Scheer had the opportunity to provide a comprehensive presentation to our colleague elected body. The presentation went extremely well and we are so grateful for their questions, support and collaboration. A special appreciation goes out from me to our Town Council Chairman, Rich Kehoe for his steady leadership, vision for our town and schools. We will await our Town Budget adoption process as well as continue to carefully monitor the state budget process. This is just one more step in our journey.

Tonight I wanted to make special mention of our recent news here at CIBA as being ranked nationally as #31 in the Nation's Best High Schools for Science and Technology. A huge congrats to Principal Stedman and her entire team. I am very aware that with Principal Stedman's retirement next year, we will be selecting a new leader prior to our next BoE meeting. I am confident that we will make a great choice and continue this tradition of excellence.

I also wanted to make a special mention of a story I read in the newspaper about an EHHS Hornet Football player who was recently recruited and signed by the University of Connecticut to play football next year at the Rent. Our Superintendent has shared a little with me about Kevon, or KK, as he is known about here and I am so proud to hear about this young man, his growth and his representation of the values we hold so dear in East Hartford. Congratulations KK, make us proud, we can't wait to see you play!

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Our agenda tonight has a little bit of everything, facility grants, school improvement grants and policy reads. As always, I am proud of the innovation that surrounds us and the constant effort our team makes to “Find a Way.”

Time to get to work!

Superintendent’s Report

Nathan Quesnel

Superintendent’s Message:

A busy couple of weeks since our last Board meeting as we continue to make progress. A special welcome to Mr. Ben Whittaker who joins us tonight for his first official board meeting. We are thrilled to have Ben on board (his first day was today) and excited to work together.

- State Budget Watch:
- Town Council Budget Presentation:
- Understanding the SDE Accountability Reports:
- Subcommittee Updates:
- Working Cities Update:
- SBHC Update:
- CIBA Ranked #31 Nationally in the Nation’s Best High Schools for Science and Technology:
- EHPS Presenting at a National Conference on Family Engagement:

Dates Ahead:

- 3/13/17-3/16/17: Half Day for Elementary Students (Parent Conferences)
- 3/16/17: Half Day EHMS/Sunset Ridge (Parent Conference)
- 3/17/17: Half Day for Students—Staff Professional Development
- 6/15/17: Last Day of School
- School Year 2016-2017—ALL IN

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Retirements and Resignations

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve Three (3) Retirements and Five (5) Resignations
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve General Improvements to Alliance Districts’ School Buildings Grant Program

MOTION By Valerie Scheer
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve General Improvements to Alliance Districts’ School Buildings Grant Program
Motion unanimously carried.

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To Approve the Barr Foundation Grant

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To Approve the Barr Foundation Grant
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve the Smart Start Renewal Grant

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To Approve the Smart Start Renewal Grant
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve the 1003a Grant Submittal on Behalf of Silver Lane School

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To Approve the 1003a Grant Submittal on Behalf of Silver Lane School
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve the Revised Board of Education Business Calendar for 2018

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Marilyn Pet
To Approve the Revised Board of Education Business Calendar for 2018
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve the 2018-2019 School Calendar

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Marilyn Pet
To Approve the 2018-2019 School Calendar
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve the Non-Certified Staff Members Use of Employee Sick Bank- EHHS

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Marilyn Pet
To Approve the Non-Certified Staff Members Use of Employee Sick Bank-
EHHS
Motion unanimously carried.

To Approve Non-Renewal of Non-Tenured Teachers

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve Non-Renewal of Non-Tenured Teachers
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 3516- Safe and Secure School Facilities, Equipment, and Grounds

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 3516- Safe and Secure School Facilities, Equipment, and Grounds
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 3517- Security of Building and Grounds

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 3517- Security of Building and Grounds
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 4112.52/4212.52- Criminal History Record Information

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 4112.52/4212.52- Criminal History Record Information
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 4148.1/4248.1- Employee Safety-School Security and Safety Committee

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 4148.1/4248.1- Employee Safety-School Security and Safety Committee
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 5111 – Admission/Placement/Ages of Attendance

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 5111 – Admission/Placement/Ages of Attendance
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 5141.6- Crisis Management Plan (Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 5141.6- Crisis Management Plan (Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
Motion unanimously carried.

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To Table for First Read Policy 5142- Student Safety

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 5142- Student Safety
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 5145.15 Directory Information

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 5145.15 Directory Information
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 6114 – Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 6114 – Emergencies and Disaster
Preparedness
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 6114.1 – Fire Emergency (Drills)/Crisis Response Drills

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 6114.1 – Fire Emergency
(Drills)/Crisis Response Drills
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 6114.7 – Safe Schools

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 6114.7 – Safe Schools
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 7115 – Developing Educational Specifications

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 7115 – Developing Educational
Specifications
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Policy 7230 – Design and Process

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Policy 7230 – Design and Process
Motion unanimously carried.

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To Table for First Read Bylaw 9324 – Advance Delivery of Meeting Materials

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Bylaw 9324 – Advance Delivery of Meeting Material
Motion unanimously carried.

To Table for First Read Bylaw 9325.2 – Order of Business

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To Approve To Table for First Read Bylaw 9325.2 – Order of Business
Motion unanimously carried.

Board Member Representative Reports-

Board member Marilyn Pet attended the Instructional Data Team meeting at Sunset Ridge.

Board member Dorese Roberts attended O'Brien's School President's Day Celebration.

Board member Valerie Scheer attended Pitkin School's Read Across America Day.

Public Participation – None

Questions and Concerns by Board Members – None

Topics for Future Agendas – None

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (7:52 PM)
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Octavia L. Moore