

**REGULAR MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
OCTOBER 3, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, October 03, 2016, in the Lecture Hall of the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Bryan R. Hall

PRESENT Chairman Bryan R. Hall, Secretary Tyron V. Harris, Dorese Roberts, Valerie Scheer, Tom Rup, Harry Amadasun, Jr., Shelby Brown, Stephanie Watkins

ABSENT Marilyn Pet

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

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA – Yes, Create a Consent Calendar for items 2-18 under new business. Table item #5 under informational reports.

Table Facility Report/Summer Work under Informational Reports

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve to Table Item#5 under Informational Report to October 17, 2016.
Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve the following Minutes:
Regular Board of Education Meeting, September 19, 2016 at 7:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –

Jessica Moise, Bridget Nortey

- EHHS Marching Band marched at the Big E.
- EHHS had their first football game on the new turf and won 13-12 against Simsbury Trojans.
- EHHS will be hosting “Get To Know EHHS” for 8th graders in the Auditorium and Library from 6:00 – 8:00 PM.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Human Resources/No Action Required

Chairman's Report

Bryan R. Hall

Good evening to my fellow Board members and administration and audience. I want to start off my comments this evening congratulating our Board, Administration and entire faculty on a fantastic opening last Friday night at our newly renovated EHHS Field and Stadium. As a former athlete, it brought me tremendous joy to walk on our stunning field, cut the ribbon and know that East Hartford kids and families will enjoy this facility for years to come. We opened our field with a Hornet victory 13-12 over Simsbury High. May this be the first of many Hornet wins on this exceptional field. Sincere thanks to our Mayor, Legislative Delegates and Town Council for their support in this project.

Tonight as the Superintendent and I prepped the agenda, I was struck by the intensity and importance of the content we will be reviewing. We have three essential presentations that have deep and powerful lines holding them together—the lines are students, conditions and results.

On the student line, I am very excited to hear the presentation that I reviewed about the EHHS Student Leadership Institute as I believe deeply in this core concept of developing the next leaders of our community. I appreciate all the work I know went into this program and look forward to learning more.

And finally, on the results line, I am eager to hear the presentation on our annual performance indicators. One of the things I am most proud about of our Board and administration is our transparent and persistent belief in owning our data and working for change. I am thrilled to see the areas of growth that this data portrays and appreciative of the urgency I know our team has around continued improvement.

In East Hartford, every day above the green is another day to grow, thrive and do better than the day before—today is another day--Let's get to work!

Superintendent's Report

Nathan Quesnel

- Superintendent's Message:

- Updates from the District:

- Neag School of Education Alumni Event
- Submission of MYP Application for Sunset and CIBA
- Budget Process

Next Steps:

- **10/17/16:** Next BoE Meeting;
- **10/10/16:** No School Columbus Day;
- **10/20/16:** Half Day—District Professional Development;
- **06/12/17:** Last Day of School;
- **School Year 2016-2017- ALL IN**

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East Hartford High School Leadership Program

Presented by Assistant Principal Joe Leroy, EHHS

Assistant Principal Michelle Marion, EHHS

Both Assistant Principals gave an overview of the 4 week program offered during the summer to 9-12th grade students. The program's goal is to build student leadership within EHHS and build their voice.

Annual Performance Report – SBAC, SAT, CMT/CAPT

Presented by Anne Marie Mancini, Assistant Superintendent

Cynthia Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Sarah E. Brzozowy, Data Analyst and School Improvement Specialist

Assistant Superintendents Mancini and Ritchie along with Dr. Brzozowy gave an overview of the 2015-2016 Annual Performance Report for the following exams taken by EHPS students:

- SBAC
- SAT
- CMT/CAPT
- AP/IB

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Resignations

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Tom Rup
To approve Five (5) Resignations.
Motion unanimously carried.

To Create a Consent Calendar for items# 2-18 under New Business

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Tom Rup
To approve To Create a Consent Calendar for items# 2-18 under New Business
Motion unanimously carried.

Board Member Representative Reports-

Valerie Scheer attended EHHS first football game of the season. Board member Scheer also attended the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 1, 2016 on the Town Green.

Public Participation-

Annie Irvine, President EHEA

Annie Irvine attended the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 1, 2016. Ms. Irvine gave away books to children who attended the festival. The books were donated by teachers throughout the district. Ms. Irvine is still accepting book donations for those who would like to donate.

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Questions and Concerns by Board Members –

Tom Rup would like to see about modifying some of the wording when swearing in the Student Representatives.

Topics for Future Agendas – None

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (8:37 PM)
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Octavia L. Moore

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION