

**REGULAR MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
MAY 7, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, May 7, 2018, 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, Tom Rup, Marilyn Pet, Harry Amadasun, Jr., ~~Stephanie Watkins~~, Valerie Scheer, Ann Grabowski

CORRECTED 5/24/18

ABSENT *Stephanie Watkins*

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

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, April 16, 2018 at 6:49 PM
Motion unanimously carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Marilyn Pet
To approve the following Minutes:
Regular Board of Education Meeting April 16, 2018 at 7:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tom Rup
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, April 17, 2018 at 10:12 AM
Motion unanimously carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, April 23, 2018 at 2:03 PM
Motion unanimously carried

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Ann Grabowski
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve the following Minutes:
Special Board of Education Meeting, May 1, 2018 at 1:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – Tyron V. Harris

- **Tuesday, May 8, 2018:** O’Connell Spring Concert, EHMS Auditorium
- **Wednesday, May 9, 2018:** Pitkin Spring Concert, Pitkin School
- **Thursday, May 17, 2018:** Top 20 Dinner, Rentschler Field/East Hartford
- **Tuesday, May 22, 2018:** CIBA Honors and Awards Ceremony, Connecticut IB Academy

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS – Bridget Northey, Tam Vu

- **May 1st** – National Chinese Honor Society Induction
- **May 2nd** – Honors and Awards Night
- **May 4th**- Spring Instrumental Concert
- **May 7th** – AP Testing Begins
- **May 17th** – Top 20 Dinner
- **May 19th** – Senior Ball, 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM Hartford Convention Center

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Human Resources/No Action Required

Chairman’s Report –

- Chairman Hall outlined the agenda for tonight’s meeting with our presentation on the Equity Committee work and celebrating Faculty Appreciation Week.

Superintendent’s Report

Nathan Quesnel

- Superintendent’s Message:
- Updates from the District:
 - Faculty Appreciation Week;
 - Teacher Leadership Academy Graduation;
 - Commissioner Network Application Process;
 - Hiring Process for Executive Assistant;
 - FY 2018-2019 Budget Process;
 - Synergy Graduation Site Change;

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Next Steps:

Dates ahead to remember:

- 05/21/18: Next Regular BoE Meeting
- 05/22/18: Spring community Forum (EHMS Café 6:00)
- 6/19/18: Last Day of School (O'Brien and Woodland 06/20/18)

District Equity Project Presentation-

Dr. Veronica Marion, Coordinator, Office of Family & Community Partnership

Dr. Marion shared with us some of the goals for the District Equity team and presented the participants of Cohort 1 & 2 to give an overview of their experience and to share what they gained from the experience.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

To Approve (1) Retirement & (3) Resignations

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To approve One (1) Retirement & Three (3) Resignations
Motion unanimously carried.

Conversion of Title: Deputy Superintendent

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve Conversion of Title: Deputy Superintendent
Motion unanimously carried.

School Uniform Price Increase for 2018-19

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve School Uniform Price Increase for 2018-19
Motion unanimously carried.

Head Start Self-Assessment

MOTION By Ann Grabowski
Seconded by Tom Rup
To approve Head Start Self-Assessment
Motion unanimously carried.

Head Start Recruitment Plan

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To approve Head Start Recruitment Plan
Motion unanimously carried.

Head Start Personnel Report

MOTION By Ann Grabowski
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To approve Head Start Personnel Report
Motion unanimously carried.

Construction Contract Award Approval- Silver Lane Parking Lot Improvements Project

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Valerie Scheer
To approve Construction Contract Award Approval- Silver Lane Parking Lot
Improvements Project
Motion unanimously carried.

District Wide HVAC Services Contract Award Approval- Tucker Mechanical

MOTION By Marilyn Pet
Seconded by Tom Rup
To approve District Wide HVAC Services Contract Award Approval- Tucker
Mechanical
Motion unanimously carried

Board Member Representative Reports –

Board member Marilyn Pet attended Goodwin's Garden Club meeting. Board member Pet attended the Junior Chef competition.

Board member Harry Amadasun Jr. attended the EH Lions Club Quest program for 7th graders.

Public Participation – None

Questions and Concerns by Board Members – None

Topics for Future Agendas – None

Proposed Executive Session

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Marilyn Pet
To recess to Executive Session (9:14 PM) for the purpose of discussion with
possible action regarding the Superintendent's Evaluation
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Octavia L. Moore

The Regular Board meeting reconvened at 10:36 PM

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MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To extend the Superintendent's contract for one year with a 2% salary increase and match his benefits to align with teachers.
Motion unanimously carried.

MOTION By Harry Amadasun, Jr.
Seconded by Ann Grabowski
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (10:39 PM)
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Tyron V. Harris

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION