

**REGULAR MEETING
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,
OCTOBER 2, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, October 2, 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, 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 Curriculum
Benjamin Whittaker, Director of Facilities
Paul Mainuli, Director of Business Services
Dr. Sharon Bremner, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA – Yes, Create a Consent Calendar for items 3-16 under New Business. Move item#5 under Informational Reports to item #3 under New Business

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Stephanie Watkins
To approve the following Minutes:
Regular Board of Education Meeting, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Motion unanimously carried.

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

- Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 6:00 PM- O’Connell PTO
- Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 6:00 PM- Mayberry PTO
- Tuesday, October 10, 2017, 8:45 AM- Head Start Policy Council Meeting Early Childhood Learning Center at Hockanum School/Room 16

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –

Bridget Nortey, Tam Vu

- Friday, Football Game- We won against Enfield 62-30.
- Financial Aid Night w/ Guidance Department – October 4, 2017. Parents can fill out FASFA with College Representatives.
- College Goal Sunday – October 15, 2017.
- Tri-M Induction Ceremony – October 18, 2017.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

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Human Resources/No Action Required

Chairman's Report

Bryan R. Hall

Good evening to my fellow Board members and administration and audience. Here comes October and welcome to some of the most beautiful weather and foliage we will experience all year.

As I open our meeting tonight, I wanted to take a special moment to address our viewers at home, specifically our Moms, Dads, Grandmas, Granddads and Guardians of the kids we care so much about. As you know, following the Columbus Day holiday next week, our elementary and middle schools will host parent conference week—this is a special week and I want to take the time tonight to personally invite you to attend. At this point, you should have received either a notification or phone call from the school with a date for your conference—while I know that these are often difficult to attend due to the busyness of all of our schedules, I hope you can make it! Our October conferences are important moments for our teachers to meet you, discuss your child and most importantly begin to form a lasting relationship centered on the success of your child. We want you to feel welcome, we want you to know that we are here to listen and we want you to know that you have important things to share that can help us do a better job! Thanks for making the time in your busy schedule to be there—our teachers, and most importantly your kids appreciate it!

Finally, I wanted to address tonight's agenda where our Superintendent's team will provide a 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. Over the past few months, the Superintendent and I have had extensive conversations about our areas of strength, growth and challenges. While our urgency around growth and improvement has never been greater, neither has my personal confidence and belief in our current process. We believe in our plan, we believe in our current investments and we believe in the people we have in place to make the work happen. In that light, I am proud of the data where we see the "ship turning" and the "plant breaking through the dirt." Let's keep pushing, let's keep working hard and let's keep our noses to the grindstone.

Time to work!

Superintendent's Report

Nathan Quesnel

- Superintendent's Message:
- Updates from the District:
 - Budget Update
 - FY 2018-2019 Budget Process
 - Bloomberg Philanthropies Workshop
 - CCJEF/Supreme Court Hearing Central Registration
 - Governor Malloy visits EHPS

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Next Steps:

Dates ahead to remember:

- **10/6/17:** Professional Development Day No School for Students
- **10/9/17:** Columbus Day—No School
- **10/10/17-10/13/17:** Elementary and Middle School Conference Days
- **10/16/17:** Next BoE Meeting
- **6/8/17:** Last Day of School

Annual Performance Report—

Dr. Sarah Brzozowy, Data Analyst, School Improvement Specialist

Dr. Brzozowy presented us with a detailed presentation to review the High Stakes Assessment Data for the 2016-2017 school year SBAC (grades 3-8), SAT (grade 11), IB & AP (grades 10-12) and gave an overview of our improvement plan/next steps.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

To Approve (4) Resignations

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Harry Amadasun Jr.
To approve Four (4) Resignations.
Motion unanimously carried.

Shipman & Goodwin Model BoE Policies:

MOTION By Tyron V. Harris
Seconded by Harry Amadasun Jr.
To approve Shipman & Goodwin Model BoE Policies
Motion unanimously carried

21st Century Community Learning Center Grant

MOTION By Tom Rup
Seconded by Stephanie Watkins
To approve 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 3516.33- Do Not Resuscitate Order

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 3516.33- Do Not Resuscitate Order
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 3541.45 – School Bus and Student Transportation Vehicle

Drivers

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 3541.45 – School Bus and Student
Transportation Vehicle Drivers
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 3542.43 – Food Service- Charging Policy

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 3542.43 – Food Service- Charging
Policy
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 4111/4211- Recruitment and Selection

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 4111/4211- Recruitment and Selection
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 4112.2- Certification

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 4112.2- Certification
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 4112.5/4212.5 –Security Check/Fingerprinting

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 4112.5/4212.5–Security
Check/Fingerprinting
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 4112.51/4212.51-Employment/Reference Checks

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 4112.51/4212.51-
Employment/Reference Checks
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 4131 – Staff Development

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 4131- Staff Development
Motion unanimously carried

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To Table for First Read Policy 5113- Attendance/Excuses/Dismissal

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 5113- Attendance/Excuses/Dismissal
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 5113.2 - Truancy

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 5113.2- Truancy
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion/Due
Process
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 5117- School Attendance Areas

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 5117 – School Attendance Areas
Motion unanimously carried

**To Table for First Read Policy 6142.101- Student Nutrition, Physical Activity and Wellness
Policy**

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 6142.101- Student Nutrition, Physical
Activity and Wellness Policy
Motion unanimously carried

To Table for First Read Policy 6146 – Graduation Requirements

MOTION By Dorese Roberts
Seconded by Tyron V. Harris
To approve To Table for First Read Policy 6146- Graduation Requirements
Motion unanimously carried

Board Member Representative Reports

Board member Valerie Scheer attended Pitkin school's first PTO meeting of the school year.

Board member Dorese Roberts attended her very first EHHS volleyball game.

Board member Stephanie Watkins attended her first football game and her daughter performed in EHHS Marching Band.

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Questions and Concerns by Board Members – None

Topics for Future Agendas – None

MOTION By Harry Amadasun Jr.
Seconded by Dorese Roberts
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (8:39 PM)
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Octavia L. Moore

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION