

**REGULAR MEETING  
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education was held on Monday, September 17, 2018, in the Lecture Hall of the Connecticut IB Academy, 857 Forbes Street, East Hartford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM by Chairman Bryan R. Hall.

**PRESENT** Chairman Bryan R. Hall, Secretary Tyron V. Harris, Marilyn Pet, Stephanie Watkins, Valerie Scheer, Harry Amadasun, Jr., Ann Grabowski

**ABSENT** Dorese Roberts, Tom Rup

**ALSO PRESENT** Nathan Quesnel, Superintendent of Schools  
Anne Marie Mancini, Deputy Superintendent of Secondary Curriculum  
Elsie Torres, 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

**Introduction and Swearing in of Student Representatives to the Board of Education:**

Chairman Bryan R. Hall administered the oath of office to the Student Representatives:

**Alan Corder**

**Angelo Franco**

**Tam Vu - Alternate**

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA** – None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** By Stephanie Watkins  
Seconded by Valerie Scheer  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Special Board of Education Meeting, August 27, 2018 at 6:20 PM  
Motion unanimously carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** By Stephanie Watkins  
Seconded by Valerie Scheer  
To approve the following Minutes:  
Regular Board of Education Meeting, August 27, 2018 at 7:10 PM  
Motion unanimously carried.

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

Open House, Thursday, September 20, 2018 for the following schools:

- EHHS
- CIBA
- Sunset Ridge

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –**

**Alan Corder, Angelo Franco & Tam Vu**

- **September 20, 2018:** Open House from 5:30-8 PM.
- **September 20, 2018:** Con Academy, PSAT & SAT PREP
- **September 10-19, 2018:** College Visits
- **September 22, 2018:** Clean Up from 9-11 AM
- **September 23, 2018:** Spanish Heritage Month Night

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

**Human Resources/No Action Required**

**Chairman’s Report**

**Bryan R. Hall**

Chairman Hall outlined the agenda for tonight and was excited for Deputy Superintendent to walk us through an extremely comprehensive report regarding our annual performance in SBAC, SAT, AP and IB. Chairman Hall is proud to see the growth, improvement and success these numbers tell you all about. A huge thanks to our faculty and team who continue to work hard-a huge congrats to our cabinet team for being bold and never shying away from our need to grow and a resounding congrats to our kids who continue to show us they can live up to our lofty expectations.

**Superintendent’s Report**

**Nathan Quesnel**

- **Superintendent’s Message:**
- **Updates from the District:**
  - **School Start-Up;**
  - **Uniform Concerns;**
  - **Transportation;**
  - **Mold Concerns EHHS;**
  - **Commission Network Grant- Silver Lane;**
  - **Save the Date: Grand Opening of the East Hartford CONNects @ Silver Lane School. 9/26 5:30-6:30**

**Next Steps:**

- **09/20/18:** Half Day—District Professional Development;
- **10/05/18:** Professional Development Day – No school for Students
- **10/08/18:** Columbus Day- District Closed
- **10/9/18-10/12/18:** Elementary and Middle School Parent Conference Week (Early Dismissal)
- **10/15/18:** Next BoE Meeting
- **06/10/19:** Last Day of School;

**Summer Hiring Report**

**Chris T. Wethje, Director of Human Resources**

Mr. Wethje gave an update of the Certified and Non-Certified FY 18/19 new summer hires along with our Affirmative Action Efforts and Professional Growth & Development.

**Annual Performance Report–**

**Anne Marie Mancini, Deputy Superintendent**

Deputy Mancini presented us with a detailed presentation to review the High Stakes Assessment Data for the 2017-2018 school year SBAC (grades 3-8), SAT (grade 11), IB & AP (grades 10-12) and gave an overview of our improvement plan/next steps.

**Head Start–**

**Dawn Dickenson-Kerr, Assistant Head Start Director**

**Assistant Superintendent Elsie Torres**

Mrs. Dickenson-Kerr gave an update on the 2017-2018 child outcomes presented through student assessments in the fall, winter and spring of FY 2017-2018.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**To Approve (19) Resignations**

**MOTION** By Tyron V. Harris  
Seconded by Marilyn Pet  
To approve Nineteen (19) Resignations.  
Motion unanimously carried.

**To Approve Stevens Flooring Abatement Project, State Project # 043-0239 CV- Request for Review of Final Plans – Form SCG-042**

**MOTION** By Tyron V. Harris  
Seconded by Stephanie Watkins  
To approve Stevens Flooring Abatement Project, State Project # 043-0239 CV- Request for Review of Final Plans – Form SCG-042  
Motion unanimously carried.

**To Approve Hockanum Flooring Abatement Project, State Project #043-0238 CV – Acceptance of Project as Complete**

**MOTION** By Tyron V. Harris  
Seconded by Ann Grabowski  
To approve Hockanum Flooring Abatement Project, State Project #043-0238 CV – Acceptance of Project as Complete  
Motion unanimously carried.

**To Approve Commissioner's Network- Silver Lane School:**

**MOTION** By Tyron V. Harris  
Seconded by Harry Amadasun Jr.  
To approve Commissioner's Network- Silver Lane School  
Motion unanimously carried

**Board Member Representative Reports**

Board member Valerie Scheer attended EHMS's Open House.

Board member Stephanie Watkins attended EHHS first Football game.

Board member Harry Amadasun Jr. expressed his gratitude about seeing more individuals and families open to residing in East Hartford.

Board member Tyron V. Harris attended EHMS PTO meeting and was pleased to see correspondence in English and Spanish.

**Public Participation-** None

**Questions and Concerns by Board Members** – None

**Topics for Future Agendas** – None

**MOTION** By Tyron V. Harris  
Seconded by Stephanie Watkins  
To adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board (9:03 PM)  
Motion unanimously carried.

Recorded by: Octavia L. Moore

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION