



HAMDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019
MINUTES

Christopher Daur, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Board Members: Christopher Daur, Myron W. Hul, Lynn Campo, Melissa Kaplan, Gail Mitchell, Arturo Perez-Cabello, Melinda Saller and Walter Morton IV (arrived 10:40)

Board Members Absent: Vic Mitchell.

Student Representatives: Mariam Khan (7:06 P.M. – 8:28 P.M.)
Darius Cummings

Staff: Jody Goeler, Christopher Melillo, Tom Ariola and Karen Kaplan

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD RECOGNITION

The Superintendent introduced and recognized this month's recipients of the Hamden Heroes Award from Church Street and Helen Street schools:

Isabella Velazquez (Church Street student)
Christina Hodder (Church Street staff)
Audry Wrice (Helen Street staff)
Molly McGreevy (Helen Street student)

The Superintendent introduced Darius Cummings, the new junior student representative on the Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Move to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2019 Special Board of Education meeting.
Campo
Seconded by: Perez-Cabello

Move to amend the minutes from the September 17, 2019 Special Board of Education meeting to remove the following items:

- 5a. Approval of History and Sports electives at Hamden High School (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019)
- 5b. Approval of freshmen courses: Adolescent Psychology and You (Social Studies), Reader and Writer Workshop (English), Application of Math (Math), and Investigations of Science (Science) – (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019) from

the Consent Agenda.
Perez-Cabello
Seconded by: Saller
In favor: Campo, Daur, Kaplan, G. Mitchell, Perez-Cabello and Saller
Abstain: Hul
MOTION PASSES

Move to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2019 Special Board of Education meeting as amended.
Perez-Cabello
Saller
In Favor: Campo, Daur, Kaplan, G. Mitchell, Perez-Cabello and Saller
Abstain: Hul
MOTION PASSES

CORRESPONDENCE

Myron W. Hul reviewed the correspondence received since the August Board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - There were no comments Public Comments on Action Items.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

2. Move to add Approval of History and Sports electives at Hamden High School (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019).
Perez-Cabello
Seconded by: Kaplan
Unanimous
3. Move to add Approval of freshmen courses: Adolescent Psychology and You (Social Studies), Reader and Writer Workshop (English), Application of Math (Math), and Investigations of Science (Science) – (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019).
Perez-Cabello
Seconded by: Saller
Unanimous

REMOVAL OF ITEM FROM CONSENT AGENDA

7.A.14. Approval of budget transfers as presented at the Finance Committee meeting (Finance Committee, October 10, 2019)

ACTION ITEMS CONSENT AGENDA

4. Move to accept the Consent Agenda.
Saller

Seconded by: Kaplan
Unanimous

- a. Approval of revisions to Hamden Board of Education policy 9321 BYLAWS- SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA FORMAT – First Reading (Policy Committee, September 24, 2019)
- b. Approval of revisions to Hamden Board of Education policy 6146.2 MASTERY EXAMS - First Reading (Policy Committee, September 24, 2019)
- c. Approval of revisions to Hamden Board of Education policy 6161 EQUIPMENT, BOOKS AND MATERIALS - First Reading (Policy Committee, September 24, 2019)
- d. Approval to transfer 17-foot sailboat to Frank Kachmar, HMS teacher, built by the students in the Navigator program. (Operations Committee, October 1, 2019)
- e. Approval of building usage request from Quinnipiac Dance Company to use HHS Auditorium on December 7, 2019 (Operations Committee, October 1, 2019)
- f. Approval of building usage request from Tia Russell Dance Studio to use HMS auditorium on May 2 and 3, 2020 (Operations Committee, October 1, 2019)
- g. Approval of building usage request from Tia Russell Dance Studio to use HMS auditorium on May 30, 2020 (Operations Committee, October 1, 2019)
- h. Approval of building usage request from The Academy of Dance and Music to use HHS auditorium on May 22 and 23, 2020 (Operations Committee, October 1, 2019)
- i. Approval for HHS Language Immersion Program to travel to Beijing and Shanghai China – April 10-21, 2020 (Curriculum Committee, October 2, 2019)
- j. Approval for HHS Spain Immersion Program to travel to Salamanca, Spain to visit Colegio Delibes Language School – June 20-July 5, 2020 and the Hamden Middle School Spain Immersion Program to travel Salamanca, Spain to visit Colegio Delibes Language School on April 11-18, 2020 (Curriculum Committee, October 2, 2019)
- k. Approval for the HHS European Travel Club to travel to Rome, Pompei, Salerno, Pizzo, Palermo, and Naples, Italy on April 8-18, 2020 (Curriculum Committee, October 2, 2019)

l. Approval for the HHS Music Department to travel to Washington, DC for a performance evaluation, April 23-26, 2020 (Curriculum Committee, October 2, 2019)

m. Approval for the HHS DECA Program to travel to Washington, DC for the DECA Conference November 14-17, 2019 (Curriculum Committee, October 2, 2019)

PENDING ACTION

5. Move to approve grant submission for a Department of Economic and Community (DECD) grant for Ridge Hill School
Kaplan
Seconded by: Saller
Unanimous

6. Move to approve School-based Health Clinic at HMS.
Campo
Seconded by: Perez-Cabello
In Favor: Campo, Daur, Kaplan, G. Mitchell, Perez-Cabello and Saller
Abstain: Hul
MOTION PASSES

7. Move to approve History and Sports electives at Hamden High School (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019).
Saller
Seconded by: G. Mitchell
Unanimous

8. Move to approve freshmen courses: Adolescent Psychology and You (Social Studies), Reader and Writer Workshop (English), Application of Math (Math), and Investigations of Science (Science) – (Curriculum Committee, June 5, 2019).
Saller
Seconded by: Campo
Unanimous

9. Move to approve budget transfers in the amount of \$54,999.10
From: 432 - Repair and Maintenance, Buildings
To 400 - Property Services.
Hul
Seconded by: Campo
Unanimous

INFORMATION ITEMS

Tom Ariola stated the Board needs to present for review and audit, a yearly

summary report and copy of the audit for every student activity account.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the activities and meetings he has attended.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the 3R plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee – Committee Chair, Melinda Saller, reported on the activities of the committee.

ACES/WINTERGREEN – Committee Chair, Lynn Campo reported on the activities of the committee.

Operations Committee – Committee Chair, Vic Mitchell, wasn't present to report.

Finance Committee – Committee Chair, Myron W. Hul, reported on the activities of the committee.

Personnel Committee – Committee Chair, Walter Morton IV, wasn't present to report.

Policy Committee – Committee Chair, Arturo Perez-Cabello, reported on the activities of the committee.

Evaluation and Goals Committee – Committee Chair, Lynn Campo reported on the activities of the committee.

Equity Committee – Committee Chair, Arturo Perez-Cabello stated there would be a meeting this month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. Move to Executive Session at 8:32 P.M. to discuss Superintendent's evaluation and contract extension
Perez-Cabello
Seconded by: Saller
Unanimous
11. Move to return from Executive Session at 10:40 P.M.
Saller
Seconded by: G. Mitchell
Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. Move to extend Superintendent's contract.

Daur

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

In Favor: Campo, Daur, Kaplan, G. Mitchell, Perez-Cabello and Saller

Abstain: Hul, Morton IV

MOTION PASSES

QUESTION RELATING TO THE MEETING FROM PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no comments from the press or public.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following Board members spoke: Hul, Campo, Kaplan, Daur, Saller

ADJOURNMENT

13. Move to adjourn at 10:45 P.M.

Saller

Seconded by: G. Mitchell

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Myron W. Hul, Board Secretary