

Board of Education
Darien, Connecticut

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Darien Public Schools'
Administrative Offices
Meeting Room
7:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Adjourn to Executive Session (2nd Floor Conference Room) for the purpose of discussion regarding security pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 1-200(6) (C)
3. Reconvene in public session.
4. Adjournment.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019**

**PLACE:
DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS'
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
MEETING ROOM
7:30 P.M.**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order..... | Mrs. Tara Ochman | 7:30 p.m. |
| 2. Chairperson's Report..... | Mrs. Tara Ochman | |
| 3. Public Comment*..... | Mrs. Tara Ochman | |
| 4. Superintendent's Report..... | Dr. Elliott Landon | |

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019**

- 5. Approval of Minutes..... Board of Education
- 6. Board Committee Reports..... Mrs. Tara Ochman
- 7. Presentations/Discussions
 - a. Conversation with Jeremy..... Dr. Elliott Landon
Ginsberg regarding Planning
and Zoning Municipal
Use Amendment
 - b. Presentation and Discussion.. Dr. Susie Da Silva/
on State Required 2023 Mrs. Ellen Dunn
Changes to Graduation
Requirements
 - c. Presentation on Capstone..... Dr. Susie Da Silva/
Project/Digital Portfolio - Ms. Shelley Somers
Middlesex Middle School
 - d. Discussion and Possible..... Dr. Elliott Landon
Acceptance of Contemplated
Gift from Tokeneke PTO
 - e. Update on Kindergarten,..... Dr. Susie Da Silva
Elementary, Middle School,
and High School Enrollment
for 2019-2020
 - f. Further Discussion and Action.. Dr. Elliott Landon
on Establishing 2019 Darien
High School Graduation Date
- 8. Action Items
 - a. Personnel Items..... Ms. Marjorie Cion
 - i. Appointments
 - ii. Resignations/Retirements
- 9. Public Comment*..... Mrs. Tara Ochman
- 10. Adjournment..... Mrs. Tara Ochman

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APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Wednesday, March 13, 2019

PLACE:
DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
BOARD OF EDUCATION CONFERENCE ROOM
7:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

	Brown	Burke	Dineen	McCammon	McNamara	Maroney	Ochman	Ritchie	Stein
Present	X	X	X	X			X	X*	X
Absent					X	X			

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Dr. Landon, Dr. Da Silva, Ms. Klein, Ms. Cion and Mr. Feeney

AUDIENCE: Approximately 15

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| 1. Call to Order | Mrs. Tara B. Ochman, Chair,
at 7:43 p.m. (0:00) |
| 2. Chairperson's Report | Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 7:43 p.m. (0:00) |
| 3. Public Comment | Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 7:44 p.m. (0:01) |
| 4. Superintendent's Report | Dr. Elliott Landon
at 7:44 p.m. (0:01) |
| 5. Approval of Minutes | Board of Education
at 7:47 p.m. (0:04) |

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019:

1st Mr. Burke

2ND Mr. Dineen

	Brown	Burke	Dineen	McCammon	McNamara	Maroney	Ochman	Ritchie	Stein
Yes	X	X	X	X			X		X
No									
Abstain								X	

RESULT - MOTION PASSED (6-0-1)

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| 6. Update on Legislative Changes | Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 7:48 p.m. (0:05) |
| 7. Board Committee Reports | Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 8:04 p.m. (0:21) |

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

8. Presentations/Discussions:

a. Presentation and Discussion
on Darien High School Second
Semester Enrollment

Dr. Susie Da Silva/
Mrs. Ellen Dunn
at 8:05 p.m. (0:22)

b. Update on Kindergarten
Enrollment for 2019-2020

Dr. Susie Da Silva
at 8:20 p.m. (0:37)

* Ms. Ritchie left at 8:25 p.m.

9. Action Items:

- a. Personnel Items
- i. Appointments
 - ii. Resignations/Retirements

Ms. Cion
at 8:27 p.m. (0:44)

MOTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL ITEMS AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMO DATED MARCH 13, 2018:

1st Mr. Brown
2nd Mr. Burke

	Brown	Burke	Dineen	McCammon	McNamara	Maroney	Ochman	Ritchie	Stein
Yes	X	X	X	X			X		X
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0)

10. Public Comment

Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 8:27 p.m. (0:44)

Julie Best 38 Red Rose Circle, CDSP

11. Adjournment

Mrs. Ochman, Chair,
at 8:29 p.m. (0:46)

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

1st Ms. McCammon
2nd Mr. Burke

	Brown	Burke	Dineen	McCammon	McNamara	Maroney	Ochman	Ritchie	Stein
Yes	X	X	X	X			X		X
No									
Abstain									

RESULT - MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. (0:46)

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathrine Stein,
Secretary

DHS Graduation Requirements Class of 2020 through 2022

Discipline	Courses	Credits
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● English 9 ● English 10 ● American Literature ● Senior Literature ● English Senior Capstone 	4
Social Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Western Civilizations ● World Studies ● American History ● Law and Government 	3.5
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Biology ● Chemistry/Earth Science 	2
Mathematics		3
Fine Art/Practical Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Art ● Music ● Drama ● Humanities ● Technology ● Media 	1
Health/PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● (4 years) 	1
Electives		7.5
Total credits required		22

DHS Graduation Requirements Class of 2023 and Beyond

Domain	Courses	Credits
Humanities	English <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 9 • English 10 • American Literature • Senior Literature • English Senior Capstone 	4
	Social Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Civilizations • World Studies • American History • Law and Government 	3.5
	Fine Art/Practical Art <i>(Art, Music, Drama, Technology Education, Media)</i>	1
	Humanities Elective <i>(English, Social Studies, Art, Music, Drama, World Languages, Tech Ed, Media, Independent study)</i>	.5
STEM	Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Junior elective 	3
	Mathematics	3
	Stem Electives <i>(Science, Tech Ed, Business, Economics, Mathematics, Music Tech, Media, Digital Photo, Graphic Design, Computer Science, Independent Study)</i>	3
World Language		1
Health/Safety		1
Physical Education/Wellness		1
Mastery Based Diploma Assessment		1
Electives		3
Total credits required		25

DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Contemplated Gift Form

Gift intended for:
(Check appropriate responses)

Person(s) or Group Offering Gift(s)

Hindley
 Holmes
 Ox Ridge

Tokeneke PTO

Royle

Contact person-This may be a
gift giver or a building administrator
Name Mary Michelson

Tokeneke

Address Tokeneke Elementary

Middlesex Middle School

Tele. 203-655-9666 x4123

Darien High School

Fax. _____

District

e-mail mmichelson@darienps.org

Description of proposed gift(s), including the form in which it (they) will be given (e.g. money, materials, services, etc.) and for what purpose(s). The description has to be sufficiently specific to allow administration to determine whether items 2, 3, or 4 of the guidelines specified in "Administration Regulation JG-Public Gifts to the Schools" apply.

The Tokeneke Parent Teachers Organization would like to contribute \$16,595 to provide a new presentation system for Tokeneke Elementary School (see attached materials).

Please answer the following questions.

Is the value of the gift(s) \$ 500.00 or more? Yes No

Note: If the proposed gift involves donated materials or services, please place an estimated dollar value on them.

If your answer to the previous question is Yes, please check one of the following categories of value for the proposed gift(s):

500-1,000

5,000-10,000

1,000-2,000

10,000-15,000

2,000-3,000

15,000-20,000

3,000-4,000

20,000+

4,000-5,000

Do not write below this line

Status: Date received by Superintendent _____

Notes on actions by Superintendent of Schools-

Actions, if any, by the Board of Education-

Final disposition of the gift offer-

Rooms		Unit price	Total
1	 <p data-bbox="300 569 1049 604">Epson Pro L1300 Laser WUXGA Projector 8,000 Lumens</p>	\$7,799.00	\$7,799.00
1	Mounting Equipment, Universal Mount, Projector Pole and ceiling Tray	\$249.00	\$249.00
1	Da-Lite Tension Professional Electrol 216x120" Electric Screen with Tension	\$3,999.00	\$3,999.00
1	Wall Controller with programing Epson Pixe	\$249.00	\$249.00
1	HDMI Converter With 10 Base T and Wall plate	\$399.00	\$399.00
1	Full Installation	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
	Shipping:		\$400.00
	Totals:		\$16,595.00

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 Tel: 203-656-7414 Email: sdasilva@darienps.org

April 9, 2019

To: Elliott Landon, Ed.D., *Superintendent of Schools*
 From: Susie Da Silva, Ed.D., *Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, K-12*
 Re: K-12 Enrollment 2019-2020

Below you will find the projected enrollment figures for grades K-12 by school. In addition, per the request of the Board of Education, I have included last year's projected kindergarten enrollment from this same time period. I look forward to answering any questions at the Board of Education meeting on April 9, 2019.

K-12 Enrollment								
Grade	DHS	MMS	Hindley	Holmes	Ox Ridge	Royle	Tokeneke	
K			53	75	62	48	54	
1			77	67	60	54	64	
2			63	83	62	62	67	
3			83	85	73	55	75	
4			73	61	69	74	75	
5			84	79	54	59	76	
6		399						
7		389						
8		376						
9	361							
10	383							
11	336							
12	358							
Totals	1438	1164	433	450	380	352	411	4628

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Kindergarten Enrollment Comparison

School	<u>Registrations as of 4/4/18</u>	<u>Registrations as of 4/2/19</u>	<u>Class Size Range</u>
Hindley	72	53	18 19-21 22
Holmes	61	75	
Ox Ridge	55	62	
Royle	43	48	
Tokeneke	63	54	

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To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Elliott Landon
Subject: Date of DPS Graduation
Date: March 26, 2019

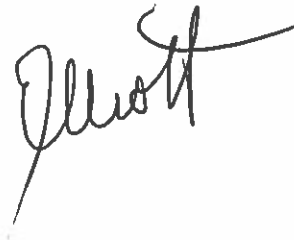
Connecticut General Statute 10-161 specifically provides that a Board of Education may, after April 1st, establish a firm graduation date.

As long as the school calendar shows 180 days of school at the time the firm date is set, school districts may hold graduation on that date, even if school is cancelled beforehand due to weather or other emergencies.

In the event of a weather or other emergency requiring days to be missed after April 1, school days for all non-graduating students in grades K-12 will continue to need to meet the 180 day minimum.

In keeping with the intent and spirit of the foregoing, it is my recommendation that the Darien Board of Education consider establishing Tuesday, June 18, 2019 as the firm graduation date for Darien High School seniors. That date is the 180th school day following the start of school, which this year was Thursday, August 30, 2018.

The Board of Education official vote to set our 2019 DPS graduation date will need to take place at our April 9th regular meeting.



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