

Regular Meeting
KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Wednesday, October 12, 2022
7:00 PM
Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main St.
2nd Floor, Town Hall Community Meeting Room

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ferron called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Napierata asked for a Moment of Silence for Father John O’Neill, pastor of St. James Church in Danielson, CT, who passed away on October 11, 2022.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Norm Ferron, Laura Dombkowski, Jennifer Hegedus, Susan Lannon, Kelly Martin, Jason Muscara, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams, and Christopher Viens.

Also present were Superintendent Robert Angeli, Assistant Superintendent Susan Nash-Ditzel, Student Board members Connor Thompson and Julie Carver, Town Council Liaison Patti George, and Secretary Elizabeth Buzalski.

3. REPORT BY STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

Student Board members, Connor Thompson and Julie Carver gave the Board an update on school activities. Chairman Ferron excused the Student Board Members at 7:06.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

5. TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – Ms. Patti George gave an update on Town Council activities.

6. BOARD CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. Curriculum Committee – nothing to report

B. Facilities Committee – Mr. Napierata

1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Use of Non-Lapsing Account to fund KMS Kitchen Renovation Project.

Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, to allocate from the Non-Lapsing Account up to \$250,000 to finish the kitchen renovation at KMS.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

2. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Redistribution of Non-Lapsing Funds for Elevator Projects at KIS and 79 Westfield Ave.

Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Mr. Muscara, to allocate from the Non-Lapsing Account up to \$25,000 to finish the elevator project at KIS and 79 Westfield Ave.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Majority, Ms. Rivera-Abrams opposed. Motion passed 8-1.

- C. Fiscal Committee – Mr. Angeli gave an update.
- D. Personnel Committee – Mr. Ferron gave an update.
- E. Policy Committee – Ms. Martin gave an update.

7. **DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING "WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA" PROGRAM**

Ms. George gave a presentation on the Wreaths Across America program.

8. **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Ms. Rivera-Abrams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to move agenda item 8D after 8A

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

- A. CSDE Approved Reading Programs for K-3 – Mr. Angeli gave an update.
- D. Climate Survey Reports (3) Student, Parent & Staff – Mr. Angeli introduced the reports and Dr. Nash explained the results.
- B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Primary Mental Health Grant – Mr. Angeli and Dr. Nash presented the grant.
Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, to support the Primary Mental Health Grant.
Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.
- C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Title III Grant
Dr. Nash presented the grant.
Mr. Muscara made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, to support the Title III Grant.
Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.
- E. Job Shadow Career Support Video
Mr. Angeli showed the video and explained the program.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. September 28, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
- B. October Student Enrollment
- C. Employee of the Month Nominee
- D. KHS Ski Club Field Trip Request

Mr. Muscara made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lannon, to accept the consent agenda as presented.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION**

The Board moved to Executive Session with Attorney Stevenson to discuss litigation at 8:53 p.m.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:58 p.m.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Viens made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hegedus to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Buzalski
Recording Secretary