

Regular Meeting
KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Wednesday, January 11, 2023
7:00 PM
Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main St.
2nd Floor, Town Hall Community Meeting Room

MINUTES (Amended)

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Ms. Dombkowski lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Napierata asked for a moment of silence for Ryan Keene.

2. ROLL CALL

On roll call, Board members Laura Dombkowski, Norm Ferron, Jennifer Hegedus, Kelly Martin, Jason Muscara, Kyle Napierata, and Christopher Viens were present. Susan Lannon attended virtually. Lydia Rivera-Abrams arrived at 7:08 p.m.

Also present were Superintendent Robert Angeli, Asst. Superintendent Dr. Nash-Ditzel, Student Board Members Connor Thompson and Julie Carver, Manager of Business Affairs Christine Clark, IT Director Christian Iamartino, and Secretary Buzalski.

3. REPORT BY STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

Student Board members Thompson and Carver gave the Board an update on school activities.

Chairman Ferron excused the Student Board Members at 7:09 p.m.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Karen Barber, 69 Strawberry St, Lisbon, CT, expressed gratitude to the Board for their work on behalf of the students and parents. She also spoke about the importance of Parental Rights and parental consent.

Robert J. Chiarodro, Jr, Westerly, RI, does not believe that health centers should be located within schools.

Kristin Archambeault, 94 Ware Rd, spoke about the fifth year anniversary of a suicide and feels that there should be some help available for students in the schools.

5. TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – passed

6. BOARD CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. Curriculum Committee – no report

B. Facilities Committee – no report

C. Fiscal Committee – Mr. Angeli gave an update.

D. Personnel Committee – Mr. Angeli gave a report.

E. Policy Committee – no report

F. Alternatives to SBHC AD HOC Committee

Ms. Dombkowski reported that the AD HOC Committee met on 12/28 and appointed Ms.

Dombkowski as Chair. Due to recent events, CHC has chosen to forgo any potential contract with the district.

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, for the immediate censure of Mrs. Lannon for her blatant disregard of the work of the Ad Hoc Committee, her interference in contacting CHC outside of the board and Ad Hoc Committee, working with another organization (Generations) to undermine a vote that was already lawfully taken by this Board. Discussion followed.

Roll call vote: Ms. Hegedus – Yes, Ms. Martin -Yes, Mr. Muscara – Yes, Mr. Napierata – Yes, Ms. Rivera-Abrams – Yes, Mr. Viens – No, Ms. Dombkowski – Yes, Mr. Ferron – Yes.

7-1, motion passed.

5. TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – Town Council Liaison Michelle Murphy gave her report.

7. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022

Ms. Clark explained the report.

8. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING MONTHLY CHECK AUTHORIZATION

Mr. Muscara made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to accept the Monthly Check Authorization as presented. Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF 2023-24 TUITION RATES

Ms. Hegedus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to accept the 2023-2024 Tuition Rates as presented. Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

A. Discussion and Possible Approval of McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Grant

Mr. Angeli explained the Grant.

Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, to approve the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Grant. Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

B. Projected Revenues and Expenditures for 4th Quarter 2023

Ms. Clark reviewed the 4th Quarter 2023 report (the agenda lists the incorrect quarter).

C. Facilities Update – Mr. Angeli gave an update.

D. Website Update – IT Director Christian Iamartino gave an update.

E. GECC Painted Playground & KIS Family Night Videos – Dr. Nash-Ditzel showed the videos that are posted on the Killingly Schools website.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

A. December 14, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

B. January 4, 2023 Student Enrollment

C. January 2023 Employee of the Month Nominee

D. KMS Field Trip Request to Ecotarium in Worcester, MA

Mr. Viens pulled item 11A.

Mr. Muscara made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to accept agenda items 11B, C, and D as presented.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Mr. Muscara made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to accept agenda item 11a. Discussion followed. Ms. Rivera-Abrams noted that agenda item 6F, on the Roll Call vote, her vote is not recorded. Her vote was affirmative. Mr. Ferron noted that in agenda item 6F, Mr. Viens' name was spelled incorrectly. Voice vote: Majority, Mr. Viens abstained. Motion passed to accept the minutes as amended.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Hegedus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.
The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

**** A video recording of this meeting can be found at
<https://www.killinglyschools.org/about-us/board-of-education>****

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Buzalski

Recording Secretary