

**Regular Meeting**  
**KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Wednesday, June 28, 2023**  
**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 lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**2. ROLL CALL**

On roll call, Board members Laura Dombkowski, Norm Ferron, Laura Lawrence, Kelly Martin, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams, Danny Rovero were present. Jennifer Hegedus and Susan Lannon were absent with notification. Also present were Interim Superintendent Dr. Diane Summa, Asst. Superintendent Dr. Nash- Ditzel, IT Director Christian Iamartino, Student Board Members Connor Thompson and Julie Carver, and Secretary Buzalski.

**3. REPORT BY STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS**

There was no report as school is not in session.

**4. RECOGNITION OF STUDENY BOARD MEMBSERS**

Ms. Martin recognized the work of the Student Board Membasers throughout the year and presented each with a plaque. Mr. Ferron then excused the Student Board Members at 7:03 p.m.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to move Agenda Item 12 forward. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT TO SOLAR POWER AND SERVICES AMENDMENT FOR KHS GROUND MOUNT #10057**

Representatives from Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC explained the changes to the contract.

**Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to accept the 6<sup>th</sup> Amendment to Solar Power and Services Amendment for KHS Ground Mount #10057. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**6. BOARD CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- A. Curriculum Committee – no update
- B. Facilities Committee – no update
- C. Fiscal Committee - no update
- D. Personnel Committee - passed
- E. Policy Committee – is planning for a meeting.

7. **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding PIXI (Primary Mental Health) Grant  
Dr. Nash explained the grant.

**Ms. Rivera-Abrams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to approve the PIXI (Primary Mental Health) Grant as presented. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

- B. Discussion and Possible Action of Grade 4 "Social Studies Alive!" New Textbook

**Ms. Rivera-Abrams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to accept the Grade 4 "Social Studies Alive!" textbook for use. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

- C. Update Regarding Killingly Public Schools Website

Mr. Iamartino gave an update on the Killingly Public Schools website.

- D. Great Things Video, KIS Debate – Dr. Nash showed a video on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade debate.

**Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rovero, to move Agenda Item 9 forward. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

9. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING GENERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT AS SIGNATORY**

**Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rovero, to hereby authorize as of July 1, 2023 that the Interim Superintendent, Dr. Diane Summa, to accept, on behalf of the Board of Education of the Killingly Public Schools, any and all grants, financial allocations, awards, appropriations and donations provided to the schools for their use and benefit, and to execute any and all documents, financial and otherwise, required or advisable for the acceptance thereof and for the daily operation of the schools. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

8. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ED-099 AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE CHANGE FORM**

**Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, that the Killingly Board of Education authorizes the execution of ED-099 Permanent Single Agreement to Participate in the Child Nutrition Programs and to designate the Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Diane Summa, as the authorized signer of the Agreement and claims for reimbursement. Furthermore, to authorize the Manager of Business Affairs, Christine Clark, to certify claims for reimbursement only in the absence or incapacity of the Interim Superintendent of Schools. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

10. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. June 14, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

**Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to accept the consent agenda as presented. Discussion followed. Ms. Rivera-Abrams wanted to add, under Item 11, that a brief discussion occurred regarding the use of Non-Lapsing funds for the purpose of salaries. She also wanted to add, under Item 13, that a scheduled meeting with the parents of High School Spanish students to discuss the 23-24 scheduling plans was canceled, to be rescheduled. Mr. Ferron noted, under Item 10, the results of the vote were not noted. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed, with corrections.**

**11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE INITIATION OF A SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**

**Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata, to approve the initiation of a Superintendent Search. Discussion followed. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**Ms. Dombkowski made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, to add an agenda item, Discussion and Possible Action concerning a Part-time Interim Athletic Director. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**Ms. Dombkowski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rovero, that the Killingly Board of Education authorizes the Interim Superintendent, Dr. Diane Summa, to work out the details on posting and hiring a part-time, Interim Athletic Director at Killingly High School along with the Killingly Education Association and Kim Burnham, Human Resources Director. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dombkowski, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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The votes of each member shall be made available within forty-eight hours and the minutes shall be made available within seven days. Copies are available at the Central Office, 79 Westfield Ave.

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

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Elizabeth Buzalski*

Recording Secretary