

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT
Board of Education
Regular Meeting – October 22, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
Minutes

The Trumbull Board of Education met for a Regular Meeting at the Long Hill Administration Building.

Members present:

L. Timpanelli – Chairman
J. Norcel – Vice Chair
L. Nuland – Secretary
C. Bandecchi- online
T. Gallo- online
J. McNamee
M. Petitti

Members absent:

A. Squicciarro

Agenda Item I—Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

Agenda Item II—Preliminary Business

- A. Salute to the Flag - The Public Session began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- B. Recognition – First Selectman’s Golf Classic Presentation
First Selectman Vicki Tesoro presented the checks for proceeds from the First Selectman’s Golf Classic which will benefit the student organizations listed below.
- Academic Challenge for Excellence (ACE) Foundation
 - Trumbull High School Golden Eagle Marching Band
 - PowerPlay Club—Hockey
 - Laxmen’s Club—Lacrosse
 - Touchdown Club—Football
 - Diamond Club—Baseball and Softball
 - Tipoff Club-Basketball

The Board of Education expressed their gratitude.

- C. Correspondence – Mrs. Nuland read the following correspondence: Vanessa Vargas-Guijarro wrote about a transportation issue. Melissa Usseglio thanked the Board for resolving her transportation issue.
- D. Public Comment- there were no speakers at this evening’s meeting.
- E. Superintendent Report Dr. Semmel reported:
- Early voting in our District has begun as we encourage Trumbull taxpayers to vote on the November 5, 2024 ballot.
 - We continue to monitor class size at Daniels Farm and all of our schools.

- We celebrate Keysha Evans from Tashua Elementary School who was selected by the State of Connecticut and named the Anne Marie Murphy Paraeducator of the Year. Tashua hosted the Connecticut Para of the Year program that was attended by the Lt. Governor, Commissioner of Education, State Representatives, First Selectman and BOE members.

F. Board Chairman Report - Mrs. Timpanelli sends thanks to Mrs. Manso Garcia and Mrs. Espejo, Spanish teachers at THS, for organizing the Hispanic Heritage event for Hispanic Heritage month which celebrates the rich tapestry of Hispanic culture. The performances included songs, dances and poetry recitations and Desfile de Banderas. Mrs. Timpanelli and several Board members attended the ceremony to honor Keysha Evans at Tashua Elementary School who was selected by the State of Connecticut and named the Anne Marie Murphy Paraeducator of the Year. Congratulations to Mrs. Evans, the student band members and grade 3 students that performed at the event.

G. Teacher BOE Representative Report

Teacher BOE Representative Mr. John Congdon reported several staff are attending Physical and Psychological Management training; multiple teachers will facilitate professional learning communities on November 5; parent teacher conferences are underway and will conclude on November 21.

Agenda Item III—Reports/Action Items

A. Approval/Minutes

The minutes of the BOE Regular Meeting of October 8, 2024 were presented for Board approval.

It was moved (Norcel) and seconded (McNamee) to approve the minutes of the BOE Regular Meeting of October 8, 2024 as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

B. Personnel Report

Dr. Semmel presented the following certified retirements/resignations:

Davis, Mary Anne; family and consumer science teacher at Trumbull High School since August 1997, retiring effective January 21, 2025.

Yarmosh, Nancy; math teacher at Madison Middle School since August 1993, retiring effective June 30, 2025.

It was moved (Norcel) and seconded (Nuland) to accept the above retirements/resignations as presented. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

C. Policy Committee Report

Mrs. Petitti reported that the Policy Committee of the Board of Education met on October 15, 2024. Dr. Iwanicki presented the following policies for first reading and revision.

- 1316 – Civility and Respectful Conduct
- 1316 – Public Conduct at School Sponsored Activities

Adjournment

Board Members gave unanimous consent to adjourn the Public Session at 7:25 p.m.