

AMITY REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 24 2025, 6:30 pm

25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, CT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Cathy Bradley, Paul Davis, Sean Hartshorn, Andrea Hubbard, Christina Levere-D’Addio, Dana Lombardi, Michael McDonough, Dr. Carol Oladele, Patrick Reed, and Donna Schuster

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Carla Eichler, Dr. Karunakaran, Donna Schlank

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Sophia Messina

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Jennifer Byars, Dr. Shannan Carlson, Theresa Lumas

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Davis called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Amity Board of Education Chair Paul Davis

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Board of Education Regular Meeting – February 10, 2025

MOTION by Sean Hartshorn, SECOND by Dana Lombardi to approve February 10, 2025 minutes, with suggested updates.

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (Bradley, Davis, Hartshorn, Hubbard, Lombardi, McDonough, Dr. Oladele, Reed, Schuster)
ABSTAIN, 1 (Levere-D’Addio)*

MOTION CARRIES

4. STUDENT REPORT

a. Monthly Report

Presented by Board of Education student representatives Sophia Messina and Janet Fan

5. 3 A’s (Academics, Arts, Athletics) AND POG (Portrait of the Graduate) FOCUS PRESENTATION

a. [Class Act Council](#) – Eric Rothbart

6. UPDATE ON THE SUPERINTENDENT’S PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

Presented by Amity Region 5 Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jennifer Byars

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE SUPERINTENDENT’S PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

Discussion held. No action taken.

8. RECESS

Recess was not held

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. Superintendent Report

Presented by Amity Region 5 Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jennifer Byars

10. PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Comment will be limited to those items noticed in this agenda

No Public Comment

**11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE SUPERINTENDENT'S MID-YEAR EVALUATION
(Anticipated Executive Session)**

MOTION BY Sean Hartshorn SECOND BY Michael McDonough to enter executive session and to invite Dr. Byars.

VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (UNANIMOUS)

MOTION CARRIES

The Board enters Executive Session at 7:28 p.m.

The Board exits Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

12. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA – Due to Chairperson by February 28, 2025

13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned, without objection, at 8:36 p.m by Chairperson Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Zaleski

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BOE Recording Secretary