



Executive Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Date: October 24, 2025
Time: 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Location: LEARN, Room 216/ 44 Hatchedts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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- 1.** Review November 2025 Board of Directors' Agenda
- 2.** Review Executive Director's Goals (attached)
- 3.** CREST Collaborative Tour
- 4.** Rural Health Federal Grant collaboration with Cartwheel
- 5.** National School Board Association (NSBA) 2026 Annual Conference
- 6.** Adjournment

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Board of Directors Regular Business MEETING AGENDA

Date: November 13, 2025
Time: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Location: LEARN/ 44 Hatchedts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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- 1. Call to Order:** Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Audience and Guests:** Introductions
- 3. Public Comment:**
- 4. Reading and/or Review of Correspondence:**
- 5. Superintendents’ Perspective:** Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) Executive Director and General Counsel, Patrice McCarthy, to speak about legislative updates.
- 6. Consent Agenda:**
 - 6.1 Approval of the DRAFT Minutes, Regular Business Meeting—October 9, 2025
 - 6.2 Approval of Budget Summary as of October 31, 2025
 - 6.3 Approval of Grant Applications—**1.) Title I Grant – \$314,869** Federal funding Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) via CT Department of Education for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026; **2.) Title II Grant - \$25,878** Federal funding Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) via CT Department of Education for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026; **3.) Title IV Grant – \$22,893** Federal funding Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) via CT Department of Education for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026; and **4.) Title III - \$14,363 and Bilingual Supplement - \$9,495** Federal funding U.S. Department of Education for the period July 1, 2025 – June 20, 2026.
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7. Information from the Executive Director:

- 7.1 Hiring—Resignations and new hires, including trend reports
- 7.2 Distributions — TBD
- 7.3 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, Regular Business Meeting—October 24, 2025
- 7.4 The LEARN Project, Inc. Meeting Minutes—October 24, 2025
- 7.5 LEARN Building Committee Meeting Minutes—October 24, 2025
- 7.6 Legislative Updates
- 7.7 LEARN Agency Updates

8. Old Business: None

9. New Business:

- 9.1 Review of Executive Directors Goal Setting
- 9.2 Acceptance of Air Quality Reports for LEARN Schools and Programs

10. Educational Perspective: Dr. Linda Darcy, LEARN Director of Teaching and Learning, to present on designing products for Regional Solutions.

11. Roundtable Discussion:

12. Future Roundtable Topics:

13. Adjournment:

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GOALS 2025-2026



Goal Area One: Educational Leadership

To establish and maintain high quality relationships that support the vision of the agency, to innovate, connect, and serve the educational community.

- Continue supporting grade level shifts taking place from 2025-2027 in LEARN's two elementary programs.
- Continue partnership with the HILL for Literacy for systemic and systematic change in literacy instruction, based on the **Science of Reading** (leading to district decision on literacy materials).
- Build a compelling marketing program for LEARN's dual enrollment program with the goal of growing the program into the middle school.
- Support the design of collaboration for the Office of Teaching and Learning and LEARN schools' district mathematics curriculum.
- Integrate the tenets of McREL Balanced Leadership work in LEARN's Admin Evaluation System.
- Support the shifts of the **Early Childhood in Education** Team to meet the changing needs of the Office of Early Childhood (OEC).
- Support the design, development, and marketing of new services for Multilingual students.



Goal Area Two: Operational Management

To provide effective facilitation of the day-to-day operations of LEARN to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of all staff and those we serve.

- Closeout Project 2 for The Ocean Avenue LEARNing Academy.
- Lead the Early LEARNing Magnet School Building Project.
- Plan the transition of Regional Multicultural Magnet School's (RMMS) First Grade to The Friendship School (TFS).
- Prepare for the new grade 7 to open at the Regional Multicultural Magnet School (RMMS) for the 2026-2027 School Year.
- Update and maintain, district and school-based safety plans through the facilitation of the All-Hazards School Security and Safety Committee.
- Implement Year 1 of the Regional Service Solutions' OPM grant; increase the number of services available to the region and increase the number districts served.



Goal Area Three: Community and Board Relationships

To promote positive relationships that enable us to establish and lead the vision of LEARN, and to communicate and operationalize that vision in action.

- Create a year-long calendar of events to engage LEARN's state delegation in on-going dialogue around magnet funding and special education programming.
- Mobilize families and students to advocate for magnet funding at the state level.
- Continue to build relationships through my board membership on Eastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce.
- Collaborate with Executive Directors across the country to spark innovation opportunities for LEARN as well as share the impressive work of the agency with national peers.
- Represent the Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical Collaborative.