

The W. L. Gilbert School Corporation

Minutes of Special Meeting

September 24, 2025

A Special Meeting of The W. L. Gilbert School Corporation was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, in The Gilbert School Library. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Holly Cassaday at 6:39 P.M.

Members in attendance were Scott Beecher, Ellen Marino, Jonathan Morhardt, Theresa Padin, Tara Sundie, and Kurt Warner.

Also in attendance were Michael Susi, Head of School.

Absent: Joanne Galenski-Giradin, Renata Waldron

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jonathan Morhardt.

The Vision and Mission statements were read by Jonathan Morhardt.

W.L. Gilbert School Corp. Discussion to Set Board Goals:

Nicholas Caruso, Connecticut Association of Boards of Education Associate Executive Director for Field Services and Technology presented a slide show to the Board highlighting laws concerning education and the responsibilities of board members, including fiduciary responsibilities, conflicts of interest, and confidentiality. He also handed out a workshop questionnaire where each board member identified roles or tasks of board members versus school management (superintendent responsibilities). After much discussion, H. Cassaday handed out a sample of board goals that she manuscripted from Regional 7, Granby and Plymouth district. There was further discussion, and suggested modifications and H. Cassaday agreed to refine the document and present the Board goals to the full board at the next regular meeting.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by H. Cassaday, seconded by J. Morhardt, to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Vote: Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Abstain 0

Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Marino