
MINUTES
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Thomaston Town Hall - Meeting Room One
Monday, April 11, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Members:

Roxy Fainer, Chairperson
Kathleen Freimuth, Vice Chairperson
Anne Petrucci, Secretary
Alexander Lee, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent

Beth Campbell
David Colavecchio
Maureen McMahon
Scott Theriault
Frank Treglia

Student Representatives:

Kathleen Brody

Justin Gallo

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

1.1 Chairperson **Roxy Fainer** called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

1.2 Board members in attendance: **Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Anne Petrucci, Alexander Lee, Superintendent Francine Coss, Beth Campbell, David Colavecchio, Scott Theriault, Frank Treglia, Student Representatives Kathleen Brody and Justin Gallo.**

1.3 Members absent: **Kathleen Freimuth, Maureen McMahon.**

1.4 Administrators in attendance: John Perrucci.

1.5 Others in attendance: William Krasnowski, Lizabeth Krasnowski and Dylan Krasnowski.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

2.1 **Chairperson Roxy Fainer** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda

Vote to accept/approve, Regular Meeting Agenda, April 11, 2016

Anne Petrucci moved and **Scott Theriault** second to accept the Regular Meeting Agenda as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

4. Approval of Minutes:

4.1 Special Meeting of Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016
Vote to accept/approve Special Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016 as presented

Anne Petrucci moved and **Alex Lee** seconded to accept/approve the Special Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016 as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

4.2 Budget Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016
Vote to accept/approve Budget Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016 as presented

Anne Petrucci moved and **Scott Theriault** seconded to accept/approve the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016 as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

4.3 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016
Vote to accept/approve Policy Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016 as presented

Anne Petrucci moved and **Frank Treglia** seconded to accept/approve the Policy Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 14, 2016.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

5. Recognitions

5.1 Rotary Student of the Month (April) – Dylan Krasnowski

6. Student Representatives' Report

Student Representatives Kathleen Brody and **Justin Gallo** presented the following to the board:

- Seniors at Thomaston High School are handing in their admission policy to school of their choice and/or attending either acceptance day or open house
- Third Quarter ended last week & Fourth Quarter started
- The Drama Club started building Avenue Q's set & opening day is May 2, 2016

- S.A.G.E. setup two committee which are Gardening Committee to tackle Nature Center which is over grown and Recycling Committee making poster to encourage & make students aware of what can be recycled
- Interact was ushering for Glass Menagerie & Project Graduation's Project Laughs and they held a clothing drive
- Student Council held a Badminton Tournament on April 8, 2016 where they collected \$3.00 or clothing donation at the door and raffle baskets are being made for Mr. THS which will be held on April 29, 2016
- National Honor Society recently organized over 250 prom dresses at Brandywine Senior Living Facility in Litchfield for Operation Prom
- Spring sports have finally started after the weather delay

7. Chairperson's Report

7.1 Letter of Gratitude to Chris McMullen

Chairperson Roxy Fainer stated that Mr. McMullen made a wonderful presentation at last month's meeting on March 14, 2016.

8. Superintendent's Report

8.1 Town of Thomaston Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

8.2 State Department of Education Memorandum - Correction: Administration of Annual Assessments

8.3 State Department of Education Memorandum - Administration of Annual Assessments

8.4 Effective School Solutions - Fostering Creativity in Students

8.5 Effective School Solutions Fighting Fair

8.6 Enrollment Report

8.7 Administrators Report

8.8 Black Rock Elementary Security Upgrades

8.8.1. Construction Documents

8.8.2. Project Manuel

8.9 Ken Koval Memorandum - Thomaston Center School Library Floor Space

8.10 Ken Koval Memorandum - Thomaston Center School Security Trap

8.11 State of Connecticut Fire Safety Regulation Modification Requests - Thomaston Center School

8.11.2 Modification Request # FM-0010-16

8.11.3 Modification Request # FM-0011-16

8.11 Education Connection Monthly Program Updates

8.12 FMLA Requests - informational only for now

8.13 Thomaston High School's Scoreboard - report of updates sent in by Jack Pasquella

8.14 Personnel

8.14.1 Raphael Varnado, Resignation, June 30, 2016, Thomaston High School

Vote to accept/approve resignation of Raphael Varnado, Resignation, June 30, 2016, at Thomaston High School

Dave Colavecchio moved and Frank Treglia seconded to accept/approve Resignation of Raphael Varnado on June 30, 2016 as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

9. Committee Reports

9.1 Budget/Audit Committee

9.1.1 Reports

9.1.1.1 March Business Report

- State Department of Education Memorandum – Application for State Adult Education Funds for 2016/2017: Funding and Application Procedures
- Roof Inspection Reports
- Cost Comparison: New/Expanded Positions in 2016/2017
- Interactive White Board Donation

Discussion: Superintendent Coss explained about the Interactive White Board Donation through an online website called donorschoose.org that three teachers at Black Rock School utilized and the policies that the Board needs to review regarding the acceptance and solicitation of donations.

9.1.1.2 March Finance Report

- 2015/2016 Budget Projection
- 2015/2017 Grant Report
- March 2016 Expenditures \$1,569,333.65
- March 2016 Transfers \$12,788.00

Vote to accept/approve Business and Finance Report and Expenditures as presented

Alex Lee moved and **Anne Petrucci** seconded to accept/approve the March Business and Finance Reports and Expenditures as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

9.2 Policy Committee

9.2.1 Presentations

9.2.1.1 Graduation Requirements (including Honor Roll) – John Perrucci and Kristin Raymond

9.2.1.2 Athletic Coach Hiring Protocol – John Perrucci

9.2.1.3 Actions Items

9.2.1.3.1 Policy Audit Series 4000 – Personnel Certified/Non-Certified

Vote to accept/approve Policy Audit Series 4000 – Personnel Certified/Non-Certified

Anne Petrucci moved and **Beth Campbell** seconded to accept the Policy Audit Series 4000 – Personnel Certified/Non-Certified as presented.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

9.2.2 Read Items – None

9.2.3 Discussion Items

The following discussion items have been moved to May Board of Education meeting.

9.2.3.1 *Policy Audit Series 5000 – Students*

9.2.3.2 *New Standard Required for School Food Services Personnel – Series 3542.41*

9.2.3.3 *CABE Police Update Service Report Mailing No. 1*

- *PA 15-6 An Act Concerning Online Privacy – 4118.41/4218.41*
- *PA 15-17 An Act Concerning A Labor and Free Market Capitalism Curriculum – 6142*
- *PA 15-94 An Act Concerning the Inclusion of CPR Training, the Safe Use of Social Media and Computer Programming in the Public School Curriculum – 6142*
- *PA 15-97 An Act Concerning Students with Dyslexia – 6142.2 and 4131*
- *PA 15-133 An Act Concerning Alternative Education – 6172*
- *PA 15-138 An Act Concerning Financial Literacy Education – 6142*
- *PA 15-173 An Act Concerning Municipal Communications Regarding Referenda – 3152*
- *PA 15-205 An Act Protecting School Children – 5141.4*
- *PA 15-232 An Act Concerning Trauma-Informed Practice Training for Teachers, Administrators and Pupil Personnel – 4131.1*
- *PA 15-237 An Act Concerning High School Graduation Requirements*

9.2.3.4 CABA Police Update Service Report – Mailing No. 2

- *Unmanned Aerial Systems “Drones”* – 3523.11
- *Field Trips* – 6153
- *New Social Studies Frameworks* – 6141.5
- *Food Services Personnel* – 3542.22
- *Professional Standards for Personnel in School Nutrition Programs* – 0523

10. Public Participation

Superintendent Coss explained about the folders, three banners (one for each school), tablecloth and stationary that were created for the purpose of recruitment and self-promotion. These items were used most recently on April 7, 2016 at UCONN’s Teacher Recruitment Day.

11. Adjournment

Anne Petrucci moved and **Beth Campbell** seconded for the meeting to adjourn.

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.