
A G E N D A
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

Thomaston High School
Auditorium
Monday, February 12, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Members:

Rebecca Guay, Chairperson
Beth Campbell, Vice Chairperson
Heather Patchell, Secretary
David Colavecchio, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent

Roxy Fainer
Maureen McMahon
Jennifer Nolan
Scott Theriault
Frank Treglia

Student Representatives:

Erin Fainer

Naime Gilani

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Vote to accept/approve, Regular Meeting Agenda of the Board of Education, February 12, 2018 as presented

4. Public Participation

The Board welcomes public participation in accordance with Thomaston Board of Education Policy 9325(a) - Bylaws of the Board Meeting Conduct. Specifically, provision for permitting any individual or group to address the Board concerning any subject that lies within its jurisdiction shall be as follows:

- Five minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of twenty minutes to each subject matter.*
- No boisterous conduct shall be permitted at any Board of Education meeting. Persistence in boisterous conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the chair, of that person's privilege of address. If necessary, the Chairperson may clear the room so that Board members may continue the meeting.*

- *No oral presentation shall include charges or complaints against any employee of the Board of Education, regardless of whether or not the employee is identified in the presentation by name or by another reference that tends to identify an individual. All charges or complaints against employees shall be submitted to the Board of Education under provision of Board of Education policy.*

The Thomaston Board of Education is confident you will observe the rules of common courtesy. Thank you.

5. Approval of Minutes:

- 5.1. Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated December 11, 2017
Vote to accept/approve Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated December 11, 2017 as presented
- 5.2. Special Meeting of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated December 11, 2017
Vote to accept/approve Special Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated December 11, 2017 as presented
- 5.3. Special Meeting of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated January 22, 2018
Vote to accept/approve Special Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated January 22, 2018 as presented

6. Recognitions:

- 6.1. Rotary Student of the Month – January – Isaiah Zevetchin
- 6.2. Rotary Student of the Month – February – Victoria Bottass
- 6.3. Teaching and Learning Spotlight – Megan (Mazzini) Kellogg

7. Student Representative’s Reports

8. Chairperson’s Report

- 8.1. Letters of Response to Public Comment
- 8.2. CABE 14th Annual Leadership Institute
- 8.3. Board Evaluations & Assessments
 - 8.3.1. *Bylaws of the Board 9400 - Self Evaluation*
 - 8.3.2. *Policy 2400 Form 1 Board of Education Self-Evaluation*
 - 8.3.3. *Thomaston Board of Education Goals Mid-Year Review*
- 8.4. Educational Research Opportunity – Anthony Coss, Eastern Connecticut State University Honor Program
 - 8.4.1. *Education Research Opportunity Email*
 - 8.4.2. *Education Research Opportunity Letter*
 - 8.4.3. *Parent/Guardian Letter*
 - 8.4.4. *Survey*
 - 8.4.5. *Policy 6162.51 Instruction – Surveys of Students (Student Privacy)*

9. Superintendent’s Report

- 9.1. State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum – Advanced Placement Potential
- 9.2. State of Connecticut Department of Education – Statewide Student Information System Survey
 - 9.2.1. Statewide Student Information System Survey Memorandum
 - 9.2.2. Student Information System - Survey
- 9.3. State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum – State Data Reporting
- 9.4. State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum – Minimum Budget Requirement (MBR)

- 9.5. State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum - Teacher Education and Mentoring (TEAM) Program
 - 9.5.1. *Teacher Education and Mentoring Memorandum*
 - 9.5.2. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Document
- 9.6. State Board of Education - Adoption of the Position Statement on Social, Emotional and Intellectual Habits for All Students K-3
- 9.7. State of Connecticut Department of Health - Information about Environmental Controls to Limit Spread of Influenza in Schools
- 9.8. Governor Dannel P. Malloy Press Release – School Security Grants
- 9.9. Litchfield County Superintendents Association Legislative Breakfast
- 9.10. Memorandum of Law in Opposition to Defendants’ Motion to Dismiss
- 9.11. Town of Thomaston Safety Committee Meeting Minutes December 13, 2017
- 9.12. Letter to Parents Asbestos Update
- 9.13. Letter to Fire Marshal – Final Annual Inspection Follow Up
- 9.14. Residency Letters
- 9.15. Email to Parents Parent Focus Group on Technology Standards
- 9.16. Effective School Solutions
 - 9.16.1. *Insights, December 2017*
 - 9.16.2. *Solutions, December 2017*
 - 9.16.3. *Insights, January 2018*
 - 9.16.4. *Solutions, January 2018*
- 9.17. Thomaston Public Schools News for Staff
 - 9.17.1. *December 2017*
 - 9.17.2. *January 2018*
- 9.18. Outdated/Obsolete/Unusable Books at Thomaston High School Media Center
 - 9.18.1. *Book Log, January 9, 2018*
 - 9.18.2. *Book Log, January 24, 2018*
 - 9.18.3. *Book Log, January 25, 2018*
- 9.19. Administrator Reports
 - 9.19.1. *December 2017*
 - 9.19.2. *January 2018*

Vote to accept/approve the Grade 5 English Language Arts Curriculum and the Grade 10 Modern World History Curriculum
- 9.20. Enrollment Reports
 - 9.20.1. *December 2017*
 - 9.20.2. *January 2018*
- 9.21. Field Trips
 - 9.21.1. *Bronx Zoo, New York, AP Psych/AP Bio, May 22, 2018, Terri Franzi & Christopher. McMullen Thomaston High School*
 - 9.21.2. *Spain, June 2019, Susan. Abbott, Thomaston High School*
 - 9.21.3. *Six Flags, Junior Class, June 1, 2018, Jennifer. Ewart, Thomaston High School*
 - 9.21.4. *Ellis Island, Sophomore Class, April 26, 2018, Susan Abbott, Thomaston High School*

Vote to accept/approve Field Trips as presented
- 9.22. Job Description
 - 9.22.1. *Board Certified Behavior Analyst*

Vote to accept/approve Job Description as presented
- 9.23. Personnel
 - 9.23.1. *Katherine Coppola , New Hire, Teacher, Grade 3, Black Rock School, January 2, 2018*
 - 9.23.2. *Mark Sousa, New Hire, Tutor, Thomaston High School*
 - 9.23.3. *Susan Root, Resignation, Special Education Teacher, Black Rock School, January 12, 2018*
 - 9.23.4. *Susan Root, Exit Interview, Special Education Teacher, Black Rock School, January*
 - 9.23.5. *Nicole Sul, New Hire, Special Education Teacher, Black Rock School*

Vote to accept/approve New Hires/Retirements/Resignations as presented

- 9.23.6. *Andrea Bingham, Schedule k Position, Drama Coach, Thomaston Center School*
- 9.23.7. *Ashley Royer, Schedule k Position, Drama Coach Assistant, Thomaston Center School*
- 9.23.8. *Brittany Thornton, New Hire, Middle School Cheerleading Coach, Thomaston High School*
- 9.23.9. *Preston Soeprasetyo, Resignation, Middle School Baseball Coach, Thomaston High School*

Vote to accept/approve Schedule K/Coach positions as presented

10. Committee Reports

10.1. Budget/Audit Committee

10.1.1. December Business Report

- *Heating Oil 2017-2018*
- *Regular Education Transportation Bid*
- *Energy Management Systems*
- *Maintenance Contract Memorandum*

10.1.2. December Finance Report

- *2016/2019 Grant Report*
- *December 2017 Expenditures \$2,743,040.59*
- *December 2017 Transfers \$0.00*

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

10.1.3. January Business Report

- *Heating Oil 2017-2018*
- *Regular Education Transportation Bid*
- *State Board of Education Memorandum – 2017-18 Education Revenue Estimates*
- *State Board of Education Memorandum – 2018-19 Indirect Cost Proposals*
- *State Board of Education Memorandum – Completion of ED003 Form*
- *Thomaston Board of Education Retirement Program for Eligible Members of the Thomaston Education Association*
- *Security Grant*
- *Updated 2018-2019 Operating and Capital Budget*

Vote to accept/approve the Updated 2018-2019 Operating and Capital Budget as presented

10.1.4. January Finance Report

- *2016/2019 Grant Report*
- *January 2018 Expenditures \$1,332,148.97*
- *January 2018 Transfers \$0.00*

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

10.2. Policy Committee

10.2.1. Presentations - None

10.2.2. Action Items

- *Policy 6142.10 Health Education Program Proposed New Policy*
- *Policy 6142.101 Student Nutrition (School Wellness Policy) Proposed Policy/Regulation Update*
- *Policy Audit Series 5000*
- *Policy Audit Series 7000*

10.2.3. Read Items

- *1st Read Policy Audit Series 6000*

10.2.4. Discussion Items

- *CAPSS Public Policy Agenda*

Vote to accept/approve Policy 6142.10 Health Education Program, Policy and Regulation 6142.101 Health Education Program, Policy Audit Series 5000, and Policy Audit Series 7000 as presented

- 11. Enter Executive Session for the purpose of strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation and for the discussion of and strategy with respect to collective bargaining with AFSCME, Council 4 local 1303-97.**
- 12. Exit Executive Session/Enter into Regular Session**
Vote to approve Superintendent Coss to explore and/or into an agreement regarding Agricultural Science and Technology Education
- 13. Potential Action on AFSCME contract**
- 14. Adjournment**