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**MINUTES  
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Thomaston Town Hall  
Meeting Room One  
Monday, January 9, 2017  
7:00 p.m.**

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**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:**

**Joshua Gallo**

**Michaela Palladino**

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**1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order**

1.1. **Chairperson Roxy Rainer** called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

1.2. Board Members in attendance: **Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Kathleen Freimuth, Anne Perucci, Alexander Lee, Superintendent Francine Coss, Beth Campbell, Maureen McMahon, Scott Theriault, Frank Treglia, Student Representatives Joshua Gallo and Michaela Palladino.**

1.3. Board Members Absent: David Colavecchio

1.4. Others in attendance: John Perrucci, Susan Abbott, Jordan Boyle, Kendyl Roman, Dustin Lee, Jennifer Stykowski, and Ann Wojcik.

**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, January 9, 2017 as presented**

**Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded** to accept/approve the Regular Meeting Agenda, dated January 9, 2017 as presented.

**Discussion:** Chairperson Roxy Fainer requested to amend the agenda to add under 10.11 Personnel, the hire of Ms. Rose McLaughlin as a Long-Term Substitute, Assistant Principal at Thomaston High School.

**Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

**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 12, 2016

**Vote to accept/approve Regular Meeting Minutes dated December 12, 2016 as presented**

**Kathleen Freimuth moved and Anne Petrucci seconded** to accept/approve Regular Meeting Minutes dated December 12, 2016 as presented.

**Discussion: None**

**Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

**6. Recognitions:**

6.1. Rotary Student of the Month – Dustin Lee

**7. Presentations:**

7.1. Academic All Star Assembly – Susan Abbott; National Honor Society Advisor, Jordan Boyle, Kendyl Roman, Jessica Ciavarella, Robert Perugini, Marisa Santopietro, Michaela Paladino, and Devan Donofrio

**8. Student Representative's Report**

**9. Chairperson's Report**

9.1. Waterbury Arts Magnet School (WAMS) Steering Committee Report

**10. Superintendent's Report**

10.1. Legal Issues in High School Athletics

10.2. CAFE/EdAdvance Regional Leadership Sessions Follow-Up

10.3. State Board of Education Memorandum – Science Assessments Transition Timeline

10.4. Town of Thomaston Safety Committee

10.4.1. Safety Committee Notice

10.4.2. Safety Committee Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2016

10.5. Educator Evaluation and Support Plan

10.5.1. State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum – Educator Evaluation and Support Plan Amendment Approval for 2016-2017

10.5.2. Eric Martin Email – Thomaston Public Schools' Educator Evaluation and Support Plan Amendment Update for 2016-2017

10.5.3. CSDE Requested Revisions

10.5.4. Professional Development and Evaluation Plan 2016-2019

***Vote to accept/approve the Approved Professional Development and Evaluation Plan 2016-2019 as presented***

**Kathleen Freimuth moved and Anne Petrucci seconded** to accept/approve the Approved Professional Development and Evaluation Plan 2016-2019 as presented.

***Discussion: None***

***Vote: Motion carried***

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

10.6. Reappointment of School Attorney

10.6.1. Attorney Nicholas Grello Authorization Request

10.6.2. Policy 9125 Bylaws of the Board – Attorney

***Vote to accept/approve Thomaston Board of Education to be represented by Nick Grello and Zangari Cohn Cuthbertson Duhl & Grello P.C. Please transfer them all of the Thomaston Board of Education's records files and property that is in the possession of Siegel, O'Connor, O'Donnell & Beck, P.C. as soon as possible***

**Kathleen Freimuth moved and Anne Petrucci seconded** to accept/approve Thomaston Board of Education to be represented by Nick Grello and Zangari Cohn Cuthbertson Dulh &

Grello P.C. and transfer all of the Thomaston Board of Education's records files and property that is in the possession of Siegel, O'Connor, O'Donnell & Beck, P.C. as soon as possible.

**Discussion: None**

**Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

10.7. University of Bridgeport Internship – Alex Giannelli - Thomaston Center School

10.8. Effective School Solutions

10.8.1. Insights December 2016

10.8.2. Solutions December 2016

10.9. Administrator Reports

10.10. Enrollment Report

10.11. Personnel

10.11.1. Laura Miller, New Hire, Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Grade 6 Mathematics Teacher, Thomaston Center School

10.11.2. Tracy Capozzi, New Hire, Speech and Language Pathologist, Thomaston Public Schools

10.11.3. Carol Wright, Retirement, Teacher, Thomaston High School

10.11.4. Rose McLaughlin, New Hire, Long-Term Substitute, Assistant Principal, Thomaston High School

**Vote to accept/approve New Hires/Retirement Positions as presented**

**Kathleen Freimuth moved and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve New Hires/Retirement/Transfer Positions as presented.**

**Discussion: None**

**Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

10.11.5. Ashley Royer, Schedule K Position, Drama Coach Assistant, Thomaston Center School

10.11.6. Laura Miller, J.V. Cross Country Coach, Thomaston High School

**Vote to accept/approve Schedule K/Coach Positions as presented**

**Kathleen Freimuth moved and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve Schedule K/Coach Positions as presented.**

**Discussion: None**

**Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

## 11. Committee Reports

### 11.1. Reports

#### 11.1.1. December Business Report

- ECS 2016-2017 Revenue Adjustments
- Thomaston Savings Bank Grants
- State of Connecticut Department of Education Memorandum – 2017-2018 Indirect Cost Proposals

#### 11.1.2. December Finance Report

- 2016/2018 Grant Report
- December 2016 Expenditures \$999,981.21
- December 2016 Transfers \$0.00

### **Vote to accept/approve Business and Finance Report and Expenditures as Presented**

**Alexander Lee moved** and **Anne Petrucci seconded** to accept/approve Business and Finance Report and Expenditures as presented.

#### **Discussion:**

**Scott Theriault** asked if the \$40,000 reduction, from the grant goes back to the town.

**Superintendent Coss** replied the town would not receive it in the total amount of what they receive from the State.

#### **Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0

### 11.2. Policy Committee – Rescheduled for January 11, 2017

## 12. Adjournment

**Kathleen Freimuth moved** and **Anne Petrucci seconded** to adjourn the meeting at 7:54

#### **Vote: Motion carried**

Yes	No	Abstain
8	0	0