



HAMDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016  
MINUTES

Adam Sendroff, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:17 P.M.

Board Members: Lynn Campo, Christopher Daur, Walter Morton, Arturo Perez-Cabello, Melinda Saller, Adam Sendroff and Christopher Vega

Student Representative: Aaron Garner and Jaweriah Shah

Staff: Jody Goeler, Mark Albanese, Michael Belden, Gary Highsmith, Karen Kaplan and Christopher Melillo

ACTION ITEMS

1. Move to elect Walter Morton IV as a new Board member.  
Sendroff  
Seconded by: Perez-Cabello  
Unanimous

Vera Morrison, Town Clerk, swore the new Board member in.

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD RECOGNITION

The Superintendent introduced the new junior student representative to the board, Jaweriah Shah.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Move to approve minutes from the June 21, June 27 and July 26, 2016 Special Board of Education meetings.  
Sendroff  
Seconded by: Daur  
Unanimous

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Christopher Daur requested 7B8.) Approval to amend previous approval of July 22, 2016 Shepherd Glen "renovate as new" project to accurately describe

the project as an "Extension/Alteration, Renovation and Roof" project. 7B9.) Approval of educational specifications for Shepherd Glen Elementary School 7B10.) Approval of education specification for West Woods Elementary School be moved to Pending Action Items number 1, 2, and 3.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

There were no Public Comments on Action Items this evening.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

##### 3. Move to accept the Consent Agenda.

Sendroff

1.) Approval to adopt Board of Education Policy #3514 Authorized Use of School-Owned Equipment – second reading (Policy Committee, June 20, 2016).

2.) Approval to adopt Board of Education Policy #4118.51 Social Networking (Media) – second reading (Policy Committee, June 20, 2016)

3.) Approval to adopt Board of Education Policy #1700 Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property– second reading (Policy Committee, June 20, 2016).

4.) Approval to adopt Board of Education Policy #6172.3 Home Schooling – second reading (Policy Committee, June 20, 2016)

5.) Approval of a building usage request from Hamden Regional Youth Basketball League to use the gymnasiums at Hamden Middle, Bear Path, West Woods and Spring Glen Schools for basketball games and practices on the dates listed on the building use application and to assess the utilities charges based on the percentage on non-Hamden participants (Operations Committee, September 6, 2016).

6.) Approval of a building usage request from Turn It Up Dance Challenge, to use the auditorium, gymnasium and dressing room at Hamden High School on Friday, March 24, 2017 through Sunday March 26, 2017 (Operations Committee, September 6, 2016).

7.) Approval of a building usage request from Tia Russell Dance Studio, LLC to use the Hamden Middle School auditorium on February 2, 2017, February 4, 2017 and June 21, through June 25, 2017 for dance performances (Operations Committee, September 6, 2016).

8.) Approval of a building usage request from the Dance Connection to use the auditorium and dressing rooms at Hamden High School on Saturday, February 25, 2017 and Sunday, February

26, 2017 for their dance competition (Operations Committee, September 6, 2016).

9.) Approval to dispose of obsolete non-instructional materials (Operations Committee, September 6, 2016).

John Ireland from Silver Petrucelli and Mike Zuba from Milone and MacBroom updated the Board on the West Woods and Shepherd Glen education specifications.

#### PENDING ACTIONS

4. Move to approve educational specifications for Shepherd Glen Elementary School.  
Daur  
Seconded by: Sendroff  
Unanimous
5. Move to approve education specification for West Woods Elementary School.  
Daur  
Seconded by: Sendroff  
Unanimous
6. Move to amend previous approval of July 22, 2016 Shepherd Glen "renovate as new" project to accurately describe the project as an "Extension/Alteration, Renovation and Roof" project.  
Daur  
Seconded by: Saller  
Unanimous
7. Move to approve a field trip request for Hamden High School music students to travel to Orlando, Florida to perform for regional and national adjudicators – April 19-23, 2017.  
Sendroff  
Seconded by: Perez-Cabello  
Unanimous
8. Move to approve [\(the attached\)](#) budget transfers as presented at the Finance Committee meeting.  
Daur  
Seconded by: Campo  
Unanimous
9. Move to approve [\(the attached\)](#) purchase orders over \$50,000 as presented at the Finance Committee meeting.

Daur  
Seconded by: Campo  
Unanimous

10. Move to approve a leave of absence for Marissa Bishop, Social Worker at West Woods School for the 2016-17 school year.

Saller  
Seconded by: Sendroff  
Unanimous

11. Move to accept a donation of \$500.00 from Ms. Paula Messina.

Sendroff  
Seconded by: Saller  
Unanimous

12. Move to accept a \$500.00 grant to the HMS Friends of the Earth Club from the GAP Foundation.

Sendroff  
Seconded by: Saller  
Unanimous

13. Move to approve a field trip request for the Hamden High School Dance Team to travel to Orlando, Florida for a dance competition – February 2-6, 2017.

Sendroff  
Seconded by: Saller  
Unanimous

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION ITEMS

The following person spoke during Public Comment:  
Myron Hul, 760 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden

#### INFORMATION ITEMS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent stated the opening of school went smoothly.

The Superintendent told the Board about the meetings and activities that he has been involved within the last couple months.

The Superintendent introduced Mark Albanese, Director of Facilities, to give an update on the summer facilities' projects.

Mark Albanese gave a presentation to the Board of the twenty-seven major projects that were started and/or completed during the summer.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Curriculum Committee – Board and Committee Chair, Adam Sendroff, stated there was nothing to report on at this time.

ACES/WINTERGREEN Committee – ACES Representative, Lynn Campo, stated there was nothing to report on at this time.

Operations Committee – Committee Chair, Christopher Daur, reported on the activities of the committee.

Finance Committee – Committee Chair, Christopher Daur, reported on the activities of the committee.

Personnel Committee – Committee Chair, Melinda Saller, stated there was nothing to report on at this time.

Policy Committee – Committee Chair, Arturo Perez-Cabello stated there will be a meeting on September 19, 2016.

Evaluation and Goals Committee – Committee Chair, Lynn Campo stated there was nothing to report on at this time.

#### COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

The following board members spoke this evening:  
Lynn Campo, Christopher Daur, Adam Sendroff, and Arturo Perez-Cabello.

#### COMMENTS FROM PRESS AND PUBLIC

There following person spoke during Public Comment:  
Meg Nowacki, 1134 Dunbar Hill Road, Hamden

#### ADJOURNMENT

14. Move to adjourn at 10:00 P.M.  
Sendroff  
Seconded by: Saller

Christopher Daur  
Secretary to the Board