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**TOWN OF EAST HAVEN, CT
EAST HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
35 WHEELBARROW LANE, EAST HAVEN, CT 06513
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024
7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. DeLucia called the board meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

- Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. DeLucia requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Dr. DeLucia requested roll call attendance

Ms. DePalma	Present ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Absent ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Present ▾
Ms. Johnson	Present ▾
Ms. Putney	Present ▾
Ms. Santiago	Present ▾
Mr. Stacey	Present ▾
Ms. Torello	Present ▾
Dr. DeLucia	Present ▾

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Erica Forti, Superintendent ▾

Mr. Robert Swan, Director of Pupil Services ▾

Mr. Richard Caponera, Chief of Operations and Fiscal Oversight ▾

Ms. Lisa Veleas, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction ▾

3. REPORTS

- Chair Report:
 - Dr. DeLucia spoke today about FRC advocacy day and recognized **Marissa Velazquez**.

- Standing Committee Reports
 - Athletics: Mr. Stacey reported: Girls Basketball are in the 3rd round state tournament. Boys CIAC playoffs are next week, they have had a tremendous season thus far. 3 EHHS wrestlers going to New England Regionals, girls hockey completed their season, boys hockey defeated Hamden and are now in state playoffs. Middle School Cheer 2nd place New England Dance and Cheer Competition.
 - Arts: Ms. Putney spoke about East Haven Academy's play which was great and now the middle school students have been invited to participate in the High School Production.
 - Personnel: Ms. DePalma spoke about negotiations with school nurses and also spoke about the district being in the process of hiring language arts instructional leader.
 - Policy: Dr. DeLucia stated that we are on track, Ms. Forti stated CAFE released some mandatory policy updates, some the district has already addressed and some that are newer.

- Board of Education Student Representatives: Ms. Brown reported on updates from EHHS. Report Attached to these Minutes.

- Superintendent's report
 - Superintendent:
 - Presentation of Kid Governor: Ms. Forti introduced teachers Jenna Pierpont-Grayson and Dana Palmieri who gave a presentation on the Kid Governor program and East Haven Public Schools Kid Governor Cabinet Members, Max Parisi and Dahna Lara. [Click here](#) and watch their presentation that begins at **00:35:20**
 - Presentation of the new EHHS Maritime Program by Maria Pompano. [Click here](#) to watch the presentation that begins at **01:11:00**

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MEETING MINUTES

- January 23, 2024 - No objections were brought forward.

5. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

- Amy Derbacher - 57 Foote Road- Ms. Derbacher spoke about events in the district and in East Haven, CT. She spoke about positive, unifying behaviors she witnessed in students from East Haven.
- Dominic Milano - 866 Thompson Street- Spoke positively about staff in the district and his productive and pleasant experience with staff regarding a parent meeting with a guidance counselor, principal, athletic director, and others. He wanted to recognize staff for a job well done.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the E.H.H.S.- Historic Boston- Out of State Field Trip.

Ms. DePalma ▾ made a motion to approve the E.H.H.S.- Historic Boston- Out of State Field Trip. Ms. Santiago ▾ seconded the motion.

Mr. Stacey spoke about how inspiring and how great the trip will be for our students.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Ab... ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Ms. Johnson	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Dr. DeLucia	Yes ▾

All in favor. Motion passes.

6.2 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the Technology Asset Disposal.

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the Technology Asset Disposal.
Ms. DePalma ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Ab... ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Ms. Johnson	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Dr. DeLucia	Yes ▾

All in favor. Motion passes.

6.3 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the E.H.H.S. Asset Disposal.

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the E.H.H.S. Asset Disposal.
Ms. Santiago ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Ab... ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾

Ms. Johnson	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Dr. DeLucia	Yes ▾

All in favor. Motion passes.

6.4 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the 2024-2025 E.H.P.S. School Calendar.

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 E.H.P.S. School Calendar.
 Ms. DePalma ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Ab... ▾
Mr. Hennessey	No ▾
Ms. Johnson	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Dr. DeLucia	Yes ▾

7 in favor, 1 opposed, Motion passes.

7. DISCUSSION CONCERNING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Next Meeting: Mar 12, 2024

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele DeLucia/mna

MICHELE DELUCIA, BOARD CHAIR