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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, MARCH 14, 2023  
7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. DeLucia called the board meeting to order at 7:16 pm.

- Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. DeLucia requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Ms. DeLucia requested roll call attendance

Ms. DePalma	Present ▾	
Ms. DiLungo	Present ▾	
Mr. Hennessey	Present ▾	<i>Joined Virtually</i>
Mr. Milano	Present ▾	
Ms. Putney	Present ▾	
Ms. Santiago	Present ▾	
Ms. Stacey	Present ▾	
Mr. Torello	Present ▾	
Ms. DeLucia	Present ▾	

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Ms. Erica Forti, Superintendent ▾

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

Dr. Jennifer Murrphy, Assistant Superintendent ▾

Randel Osborne, Director of Technology ▾

### **3. REPORTS**

- Chair Report: Ms. DeLucia spoke about the Vision of the Graduate presentation, it can be viewed on our Youtube channel here.
  
- Athletics: Mr. Stacey congratulated all winter coaches and athletes on winter sports.
  
- Board of Education Student Representatives: This report is attached to the minutes.
- Superintendent's Report
  - Ms. Forti Presented awards to four students & reviewed some dates for the Board.
    - CAPSS - Certificate of Excellence
      - Autumn Clancy
      - Widman Vicuna
  
    - NSDC-Award for Academic Growth, Leadership & Learning
      - Abigail Brooks
      - Kevin Lawlor
  
- COFO Report
  - Mr. Caponera covered the cafeteria report and gave a brief overview.
  
- Assistant Superintendent's Report
  - Dr. Murrehy's report is attached.

### **4. ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- Invoices for FY 2022-2023- \$133,631.51 & \$223,672.00
- PO's over \$7,000
- Hires, Rehires & Stipends
- Meeting Minutes: February 14, 2023

Ms. DeLucia ▸ asked if there were any objections to the consent agenda. No objections were raised.

### **5. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS-** No community members came forward.

### **6. NEW BUSINESS**

**6.1 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the vendor for the JMMS Auditorium Bid and Upgrades.**

Mr. Caponera and Mr. Osborne spoke about the vendors that bid on the auditorium upgrades, Supertech and Soundstage systems. Some questions about the specificities of the project were asked and answered by Mr. Caponera and Mr. Osborne. Another question regarding the timeline was posed by Ms. Torello. Mr. Caponera stated the project goal timeline would be to finish this summer.

Ms. Torello ▾ made a motion to approve the vendor for the JMMS Auditorium Bid and Upgrades. Ms. Santiago ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.

**6.2 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the vendor for the JMMS Heating Pump Bid.**

Mr. Caponera covered the specifications of the work needed and what was in the bid.

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the vendor EMCOR for the JMMS Heating Pump Bid. Mr. Stacey ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
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Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.

### 6.3 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the vendor for the Cafeteria Table Bid.

Mr. Caponera covered the reasons for the needed cafeteria seating and the type of seating being procured for this bid. A brief discussion regarding the seating and this upgrade was had.

Ms. Torello ▾ made a motion to approve the vendor for the Cafeteria Table Bid.  
 Ms. DePalma ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.

**6.4 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the vendor for the Management & Maintenance Bid.**

Mr. Caponera discussed the bid process and walkthroughs that occurred for this Management and Maintenance Bid. A conversation was had relative to the process and the specifications of the bid. Ms. Torello questioned if this type of work could be split up in the future to gain bids from multiple vendors. Mr. Caponera stated he did not feel that the bid process was the issue, but would look into it in the future if the board felt it was necessary.

Mr. Milano ▾ made a motion to approve All American for the Management & Maintenance Bid. Ms. Santiago ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.

**6.5 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the 2023-2024 School Calendar.**

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar.  
Ms. DePalma ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	No ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

One opposition, eight in favor. Motion Passes.

#### 6.6 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the EHA/JMMS Aviation Explorers Program Trips.

Ms. Forti briefly covered the details of the trips and the opportunity that these students would have participating in this program and these field trips. A brief discussion was had relative to this topic. Many board members showed their support and interest.

Ms. DePalma ▾ made a motion to approve the EHA/JMMS Aviation Explorers Program Trips. Mr. Milano ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.

**6.7 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the following policies:**

- 6141.8 School Readiness/Day-Care
- 6142.102 Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
- 6142 Basic Instructional Program
- 6142.3 Mathematics Philosophy
- 6142.4 Science Philosophy
- 6142.8 Music Education Philosophy

Ms. DeLucia reminded the board members that these policies were discussed and covered prior to this meeting at a policy workshop.

Ms. DePalma ▾ made a motion to approve the above listed policies. Ms. Santiago ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Yes ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾

Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾
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Motion passes unanimously.

**6.8 Discussion and possible action on the approval of Policy 5135-Eligibility to Participate in Co-curricular activities**

A conversation was had relative to the details and specific language of the policy. The board members decided to not act on this action item and decided to move forward with scheduling a Board Workshop for March 20, 2023, to discuss it further.

**6.9 Discussion and possible action on the approval of the EHHS Baseball Team Fundraiser.**

A conversation relative to the fundraiser and its purpose was had. A question arose surrounding the timeline of the fundraiser and when it would begin. Mr. DeNuzzo stated that the fundraiser should have started on 3/15/23, however some confusion occurred and some had already begun to fundraise. A discussion was had to ensure that in the future no fundraisers of this nature begin without board approval.

Ms. Santiago ▾ made a motion to approve the EHHS Baseball Team Fundraiser.

Ms. DePalma ▾ seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ms. DePalma	Yes ▾
Ms. DiLungo	Yes ▾
Mr. Hennessey	Absent ▾
Mr. Milano	Yes ▾
Ms. Putney	Yes ▾
Ms. Santiago	Yes ▾
Mr. Stacey	Yes ▾
Ms. Torello	Yes ▾
Ms. DeLucia	Yes ▾

Motion passes unanimously.



**7. DISCUSSION CONCERNING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Next Meeting March 28, 2023
- Policy Worksop March 20, 2023

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Michele DeLucia/mna*

**MICHELE DELUCIA, BOARD CHAIR**

**Jennifer Murrihy**  
Assistant Superintendent of  
Curriculum and Instruction



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To: Administrative Team  
From: Jennifer Murrihy  
Re: Board of Education- Curriculum and Instruction Report  
Date: March 14, 2023

## Curriculum Advisory Council

Please join us for the next Curriculum Advisory Council on March 21 at 5 PM. Participants should register at <https://east-haven-k12-ct-us.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcoce6rrD8rHtW2N6udHJRKEzirwylXtU9Y> Items on the agenda include the science of reading and the district literacy plan, and an opportunity to review the recently completed Waiver submitted to the state department of education outlining our science of reading aligned elementary reading program.

## Vision of the Graduate is VISIBLE

I wanted to provide an opportunity for members of the community to “see” some examples of where the vision of the graduate is woven into our instructional programming in all courses, from Health and PE, to Academic and Citizenship habits. Sample visuals and images from our Elementary report card revision, Curriculum documents, and assessments outline how Mr. DeNuzzo’s presentation is made visible throughout the district.

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Standards Analysis | Actions | [Icons]

Content Area: Vision of the Graduate: School: High School

List results by: Standards | List | Pie | Bar | Show Empty Rows | Standards Overview

Content Area	Grade	Targeted Standards	Assessed Standards	Targeted Standards Not Assessed	Assessed Standards Not Targeted	Assessments
Vision of the Gradu...	All Grades	16/16 (100%)	16/16 (100%)	0	0	359

Filter Standards: All | by Content Area | Vision of the Graduate | by Grade | by Strand | by Flag

Filter Standards by Keyword: Enter a Keyword | Search

Reports from our Vision of the Graduate include over 330 assessments aligned to the indicators. These rubrics represent a significant body of work for the team.

4 Curriculum Developers / Launching Success (District) / Grade 9 (High School)

Welcome to East Haven High School (Q1)

4 Year Academic Success Plan  
 Formative: Authentic / Transfer Task  
 LS #4 Academic Success Plan- Student Copy  
 This assessment will ask for students to look through the EHHS program of studies and to plan out the next few years of their high school career. Students will create plans that will fulfill graduation requirements and can be used for further planning with their guidance counselors for future course selections.

EHHS Vision of the Graduate  
 Summative: Authentic / Transfer Task  
 LS #5 VOG - ORIGINAL  
 In this assessment, students will be looking at the different components of the EHHS Vision of the Graduate and will be putting the different components into their own words. Students will then be asked to research other high schools in the nation and compare the EHHS Vision of the Graduate to different schools.

EHHS Webquest  
 Formative: Authentic / Transfer Task  
 LS #2 Web Quest - M  
 For this formative assessment, students will complete an online Web-Quest that asks for students to locate and explore different parts of the EHHS website.

Academic Habits (Q2)

Area of Growth Assessment  
 Formative: Performance: Authentic Task  
 LS #11.1 - Academic Assessment Reflection  
 Students will choose 1-2 assessments (from a different class if they so choose) that they did not perform up to academic standards on to analyze. Students will then describe how they complete the assessment and what steps they took to prepare for the assessment.

Methods of Academic Habits  
 Formative: Multi-media / Technology Product  
 LS #14.1 & 14.2 Organizational Skills - Topics  
 Students will select 1 academic habit to further research and evaluate. Students will then create a digital poster to represent the academic habit and will eventually engage in a classroom gallery walk.

Area of Growth Assessment Reflection  
 Summative: Performance: Authentic Task  
 LS #18.1 Area of Growth -Academic Reflection  
 Students will revisit the original assessments that they selected to analyze and evaluate during this unit. Students will be asked to look at their assessments and evaluate what academic habits they would change if they were to complete the assignment again.

Academic Habit Success Plan  
 Summative: Authentic / Transfer Task  
 LS #19.1 MidTerm Success Plan  
 Students will be asked to analyze their Q1 & Q2 academic habits in each class. Students will then create an "Academic Habit Success Plan" that they will be able to utilize during midterm exams.

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**East Haven Academy**  
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 East Haven, CT 06512  
 203-468-3219  
 Principal: Kristina Torre

Student photo

**ELEMENTARY STUDENT GROWTH REPORT 2021-2022**

Student Name/ Teacher/ Grade

Attendance			
	T1	T2	T3
Absences	1		
Times Tardy	0		
Days Enrolled	55		

The mission of East Haven Public Schools is to provide a variety of learning experiences in a safe and nurturing environment to prepare all students to be college and career-ready.

**Performance Levels and Descriptors**

**E Exceeding**  
 This trimester, your child consistently demonstrates independence and mastery above and beyond grade level expectations for this standard.

**M Meeting**  
 This trimester, your child consistently demonstrates mastery of the standard.

**P Progressing**  
 This trimester, your child is still developing skills and knowledge toward mastery of the standard.

**NY Not Yet**  
 This trimester, your child has not yet demonstrated an understanding of the knowledge and skills expected.

Student Citizenship & Social Emotional Learning Competencies			
	T1	T2	T3
Student demonstrates perseverance and creativity when faced with challenges.	E		
Student shows self-control and adheres to classroom norms for collaboration and academic talk.	M		
Student demonstrates responsibility in their classroom habits and behaviors.	P		
Student contributes to the classroom community by considering others' needs.	NY		
Student communicates with others effectively.	E		
Student demonstrates self-reflection on academic and social needs and makes effort to set goals to improve learning.	M		
Student gives and receives feedback to enhance the learning experience in their classroom community.	P		

If your child has an Individualized Education Program or a 504 Accommodation Plan, this report card will reflect any modifications in grading, course content, or student expectations that have been specified by the Planning and Placement team.

**SEL/ Citizenship**

- EHPS.CSEL.1.CPS Student demonstrates perseverance and creativity when faced with challenges
- EHPS.CSEL.2.DIT Student shows self-control and adheres to classroom norms for collaboration and academic talk
- EHPS.CSEL.3.RC Student demonstrates responsibility in their classroom habits and behaviors
- EHPS.CSEL.4.RC Student contributes to the classroom community by considering others' needs
- EHPS.CSEL.5.EPC Student communicates with others effectively

EHPS.CSEL.6.GDRI Student demonstrates self-reflection on academic and social needs and makes effort to set goals to improve learning

EHPS.CSEL.7.GDRI Student gives and receives feedback to enhance the learning experience in their classroom community

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Board of Education Meeting- Student Representative Report  
March 14, 2023

- Introduce yourself to the BOE
- Tell them a little bit about yourself (grade, interests, etc.)

**Nicole:** Our winter sports season ended last week. Overall, teams had a solid season. The hockey team made it to the quarterfinal round and the girls basketball team made it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the tournament. The wrestling team had 2 wrestlers place in the CIAC Class M meet in the respective weight classes and we had 3 wrestlers place in the CIAC Girls State Championship in their respective weight classes. Spring sports have started. Baseball and softball started last weekend with their pitchers and catchers. All other Spring sports will begin next week.

**Natalie:** Course Selection for the 2023-24 school year is underway for 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. Guidance Counselors have been meeting with meeting with students either individually or in groups on the course selection process.

**Nicole:** EHHS is in the middle of the FAFSA challenge. FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid and is completed by Seniors as they prepare for college. Our goal is to reach 50% completion this year and, as of now, we are at 44%. We held our first FAFSA Completion Celebration last month, where a delicious breakfast was served by our culinary students in the HIVE cafe and prizes were raffled off.

**Natalie:** The EHHS Parent Faculty Organization is sponsoring a basketball game between the Harlem Wizards Basketball team vs the East Haven Public Schools Faculty on May 5th at the High School. This is going to be a great community night with hopefully hundreds of people attending. The PFO is looking for local East Haven celebrities to play in the game, so if any board members want to play, you can let Mr. DeNuzzo know and he'll be sure to pass it on to the Parent-Faculty Organization.

**Nicole:** The Drama Club held their auditions for our spring musical, The Addams Family: School Edition! They have been in rehearsals and have been preparing for the show, which will be held the weekend of April

**Nicole:** SAT School Day for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students is coming up next week and will be administered on March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23rd.

**Natalie:** Clubs have been busy over the last few months. In addition to meetings and activities, a few have been engaged in recent fundraisers:

- National Honor Society held an EH animal shelter food and toy drive that ended last week.
- National Honor Society is currently holding a "Wands for Wildlife" fundraiser where used mascara wands are being collected for Farm River Wildlife.

- FBLA, Future Business Leaders of America, is conducting a Donations Drive to Help the Homeless. They are collecting toiletries, toothpaste, soap and deodorant (travel size).
- There was recently a used clothing and blanket drive to support Syria and Turkey after the devastating earthquake that those nations experienced. This drive was initiated by students of Turkish decent and was supported by many students and staff throughout the school.

**Nicole:** Our culinary department recently hosted a Mardi Gras lunch, where they served Cajun inspired Louisiana cuisine. Students had the ability to prepare and serve staff members who RSVP'd to the lunch invitation. It's a great way for our students to learn through real world application of the skills and competencies needed in the food industry.

**Natalie:** Our manufacturing and wood programs have been taking and fulfilling orders for cutting boards using our CNC, or computer numerical machines and drinking glasses using our laser engraver. They have fulfilled orders for staff members and even outside organizations.