

"East Lyme Public Schools will inspire, engage and educate each student to become a contributing citizen and a responsible, independent, and critical thinker."

**EAST LYME BOARD OF EDUCATION
East Lyme, Connecticut**

Monday, December 7, 2015
Room B101 (INTV Room), East Lyme High School

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Tim Hagen (Chair), Al Littlefield (Secretary), Eric Bauman, Jill Carini, Barbara Senges, Jaime Barr Shelburn, Marlene Nickerson (6:05 p.m.)

Board Members Absent: Candice Carlson

Administrators Present: Jeffrey Newton (Superintendent)

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Superintendent Jeff Newton. Superintendent Newton welcomed newly-elected (Eric Bauman) and reelected (Jill Carini, Tim Hagen, Barbara Senges, and Jaime Barr Shelburn) East Lyme Board of Education members.

II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Superintendent Newton

III. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

A. **Discussion/action re: Election of Board Chair**

Superintendent Newton called for nominations for Board Chair.

MOTION: Jaime Barr Shelburn nominated Tim Hagen for Board Chair. Eric Bauman seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

VOTE PRO: Tim Hagen (Chair), Al Littlefield (Secretary), Eric Bauman, Barbara Senges, Jaime Barr Shelburn

VOTE CON: None

ABSTAIN: Jill Carini

MOTION CARRIED 5:0:1

Tim Hagen was congratulated and assumed the position of Board Chair.

B. **Discussion/action re: Election of Board Secretary**

Chair Tim Hagen called for nominations for Board Secretary.

MOTION: Jaime Barr Shelburn nominated Al Littlefield for Board Secretary. Eric Bauman seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

VOTE PRO: Tim Hagen (Chair), Al Littlefield (Secretary), Eric Bauman, Barbara Senges, Jaime Barr Shelburn

VOTE CON: None

ABSTAIN: Jill Carini

MOTION CARRIED 5:0:1

Al Littlefield was congratulated and assumed the position of Board Secretary.

C. Discussion/action re: Appointment of New Board of Education Members

1. John Kleinhans was recommended by the Republican Town Committee to fill the Board of Education position vacated by Rob Kupis. The vacancy was announced at the November 23, 2015 regular Board meeting. A question and answer period followed.

MOTION: Al Littlefield nominated John Kleinhans to fill the Board of Education position vacated by Rob Kupis with a term expiration date of December 4, 2017; Marlene Nickerson seconded.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

VOTE PRO: Tim Hagen (Chair), Al Littlefield (Secretary), Marlene Nickerson, Barbara Senges, Jaime Barr Shelburn

VOTE CON: None

ABSTAIN: Eric Bauman, Jill Carini

MOTION CARRIED 5:0:2

2. William (Bill) Derry was recommended by the Democratic Town Committee to fill the Board of Education position vacated by Joseph Arcarese. The vacancy was announced at the November 23, 2015 regular Board meeting. A question and answer period followed.

MOTION: Barbara Senges nominated William Derry to fill the Board of Education position vacated by Joseph Arcarese with a term expiration date of December 4, 2017; Al Littlefield seconded.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

New Board members will contact the Town Clerk to be sworn in prior to the next board meeting.

D. Discussion re: Board of Education Committees and Committee Memberships

The EL BOE committee structure was reviewed. Board members were asked to notify Lynn Bodnar by December 10, 2015 of their committee membership requests.

E. Discussion re: Announcement of Second Board of Education Community Forum for the Elementary School Building Projects

The Board of Education will hold a second community forum regarding the elementary school building projects on Monday, December 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m. in the Mary Broderick Auditorium, East Lyme High School. The purpose of the forum will be articulated.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jaime Barr Shelburn moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.; Eric Bauman seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,
Albert Littlefield
 Albert Littlefield, Secretary
 East Lyme Board of Education