



BOARD OF EDUCATION

COLUMBIA, CONNECTICUT

The Columbia School District is a community of learners providing rigorous programs to ensure that each student can excel as an individual.

James Chakulski, Jr.
David Crim
Linette Dooley
Christopher Lent
Lisa Napolitano
Kathy Tolsdorf
Karin Vertefeuille

Laurence Fearon, Superintendent

December 7, 2015
Regular Meeting
7:30 p.m.
Horace W. Porter School Cafeteria

I. Call to Order

II. Election of Board of Education Officers

Superintendent Fearon shall call for nominations from the floor for Board of Education Chairperson. The newly elected Chairperson shall open the floor for nominations for the following:

- *Vice-Chairperson*
- *Committee Appointments*

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Comments from the Audience (Bylaws of the Board #9300)

Time allotted for public participation is twenty (20) minutes; time allotted for an individual speaker is three (3) minutes.

V. Celebration of Excellence

At Porter School our students are empowered to lead and to demonstrate civic responsibility. These students exemplify those ideals:

- ***Congratulations to Porter's 2015/2016 CAPSS Superintendent Award Winners:***
 - ***Katherine Griffin & Nicholas Haddad, Grade 6***
 - ***Emmanuel Elumogo & Madison Shea, Grade 8***

VI. Action Items (Consent)

To be read by Board of Education Chairperson prior to taking action:

A consent agenda is presented by the Chairman at the beginning of a meeting. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the assembly.

- a) Approval of November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes*
- b) Approval of November 30, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes*
- c) Approval of Payment of Bills*
- d) Appointment of 2015/16 Co-Curricular Positions*

VII. Action Items – Discuss and Act Upon

- a) Second Reading of Policy 3171.1 – Non-Lapsing Education Fund*
- b) Second Reading Policy 3240 – Tuition Fees*
- c) Second Reading Policy 5118.211 – Tuition for Children of Faculty and Staff*

VIII. Correspondence/Communications

- a) Creatures Living Around Us – ALBUM, Saturday 10/31/15 Chronicle*

(More on the back)

IX. Board of Education Subcommittees

- Future Meeting Dates:
 - December 15, 2015 – Board of Education Special Mtg./Retreat, 6:30 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Classroom Area
 - December 16, 2015 – Tri-Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Columbia Town Hall
 - January 4, 2016 – Budget Subcommittee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Conference Room
 - January 4, 2016 – Regular Board of Education Meeting with Public Budget Input, 7:30 p.m. H.W.P. Cafe
 - January 11, 2016 – Budget Subcommittee Meeting, 6:00 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Conference Room
 - January 19, 2016 – Budget Subcommittee Meeting, 6:00 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Conference Room
 - February 1, 2016 – Regular BOE Meeting – Supt. Presents Draft 2016/17 budget, 7:30 p.m. H.W.P Cafe

X. Superintendent's Report

- a) *CABE/CAPSS Convention - Update*
- b) *Governor Malloy's Budget Rescissions and Future Impact*
- c) *Authorization of NCLB as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)*
- d) *Clean Energy Communities - Update*

XI. Future Regular and Subcommittee Agenda Items (Tentative)

XII. Columbia Board of Education Member Remarks

XIII. Adjournment