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

December 1, 2014
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

- Congratulations to porter's CAPSS 2014/2015 Superintendent Award Winners:
 - **Thomas Boardman & Lindsay Hartling, Grade 6**
 - **Jonathan Haddad & Amber Kaldy, 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 3, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b) Approval of November 17, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes

VII. Action Items – Discuss & Act Upon

- a) Approval of Payment of Bills and Budget Update
- b) Second Reading Policy 5141.27 – Use of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs)
- c) Second Reading Policy 6141.3291 – One-to-One Tablet Program/iPad Acceptable Use

VIII. Correspondence/Communications

- a) November 3, 2014 PTO Meeting Minutes
- b) "Buddy Bench" a tribute to late Porter teacher – Willimantic Chronicle 11/14/14

IX. Board of Education Self-Evaluation

X. Board of Education Subcommittees

- Future Meeting Dates:
 - January 5, 2015 – Budget Subcommittee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. H.W.P. Conference Room
 - January 5, 2015 – Regular Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m. H.W.P. Cafeteria with Public Budget Input
 - December 1, 2014 – Policy Subcommittee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Conference Room
 - December 17, 2014 – Tentative Tri-Board Meeting with BOS, BOE, FiPAC, 7:30 p.m. Town Hall
 - January 12, 2015 – Budget Subcommittee Meeting , 6:00 p.m. H.W.P. LMC Conference Room

XI. Superintendent's Report

- a) Late Bus Transportation
- b) Long Range Plan Update
- c) Porter Website

XII. Future Regular and Subcommittee Agenda Items (Tentative)

XIII. Columbia Board of Education Member Remarks

XIV. Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Evaluation of Superintendent

XV. Adjournment