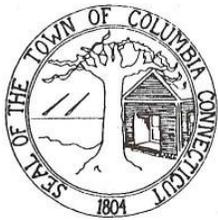


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COLUMBIA, CONNECTICUT



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

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April 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda 7:30 p.m. Horace W. Porter School Cafetorium

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. 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.

IV. Special Recognition

Columbia students are encouraged to explore their creativity and the District values their individual contributions and commitment to excellence.

The Board of Education and Administration would like to recognize the following students:

- **Peter Swenson**, Eastern Regional Middle School Band
- **Aidan Merrill**, Eastern Regional Middle School Band
- **George Chakulski**, Eastern Regional Middle School Chorus
and their music teacher: **Emily Breither**

V. Action Items (Consent)

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.

- Approval of March 6, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes*
- Approval of Payment of Bills*
- Approval of Spring Sports Appointments – Track, Softball and Baseball*

VI. Action Items – Discuss and Act Upon

- Solar Energy Project*
- Budget 2017/2018*

VII. Report of the Future needs Committee

- Demographics
- Finance/Budget
- State Law and Regulations
- Survey and Open Forums

VIII. Reports of Board Committee

- Policy
- Budget
- Teaching and Learning
- Ad hoc Committee on Future Needs

IX. Correspondence/Communications

- AHM Program Bring Local Seniors, Youth Together*

- b) Enrollment Update
- c) Connecticut Technology Student Association, State Conference

X. Board of Education Upcoming Meetings

- *Future Meeting Dates:*
 - April 17, 2017 – Regional Collaboration Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Eastconn
 - April 19, 2017 – Budget Public Hearing, 7:00 p.m., Yeoman’s Hall
 - May 1, 2017 – Policy Subcommittee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., HWP Library Media Center
 - May 1, 2017 – Regular BOE Meeting, 7:30 p.m., HWP Cafetorium
 - May 16, 2017 – Annual Town Budget Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Yeoman’s Hall

XI. Superintendent’s Report

- CMT and SBAC Testing

XI. Future Regular and Subcommittee Agenda Items (Tentative)

- a) *Future Needs Committee*

XII. Columbia Board of Education Member Remarks

XIII. Adjournment