
MINUTES
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

Thomaston High School
Auditorium
Monday, November 13, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Members:

Roxy Fainer, Chairperson
Kathleen Freimuth, Vice Chairperson
Anne Petrucci, Secretary
Alexander Lee, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent

Beth Campbell
Rebecca Guay
Maureen McMahon
Scott Theriault
Frank Treglia

Student Representatives:

Erin Fainer

Naime Gilani

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

1.1. **Chairperson Roxy Fainer** called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

1.2. Board members in attendance: **Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Kathleen Freimuth, Anne Petrucci, Superintendent Francine Coss, Beth Campbell, Rebecca Guay, Maureen McMahon, Scott Theriault, and Frank Treglia.**

1.3. Board Members Absent: **Alexander Lee**

1.4. Others in attendance: Jennifer Nolan, Heather Patchell, John Perrucci, Kristin Raymond, Jonathan Kozlak, Kristin Bernier, Aimee Turner, Eric Martin, Christel Russman, Josh Russman, Vince Russman, Becky Morton, Rob Morton, Emily Morton, Tanya Galpin, Pat Chasse, Erik Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Jenna Johnson, Matthew Johnson, Rick Wilson, and Caroline Wilson.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

2.1. **Chairperson Roxy Fainer** led the pledge of Allegiance.

3. Swearing in of New Board of Education Members

3.1.Cathy Dupont, Town Clerk swore in the new Board members: **David Colavecchio, Jennifer Nolan, Heather Patchell and Scott Theriault.**

4. Student Representative Recommendations

Vote to accept/approve Recommended Student Representatives as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve Recommended Student Representatives as presented.

Discussion: None

Vote: Motioned carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

5. Swearing in of New Student Representatives

5.1.Cathy Dupont, Town Clerk swore in the new Student Representatives: **Erin Fainer and Naime Gilani.**

6. Approval of Agenda

Vote to accept/approve, Regular Meeting Agenda of the Board of Education, November 13, 2017 as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve the Regular Meeting Agenda of the Board of Education, November 13, 2017 as presented.

Discussion: Kathleen Freimuth amended the agenda under section 13.11 Personnel to add the Winter Coach Recommendations and one (1) Fall Coach Recommendation.

Chairperson Roxy Fainer stated that the Board members were provided a copy of the coach recommendations.

Anne Petrucci motioned and Beth Campbell seconded to accept/approved the amended Regular Meeting Agenda of the Board of Education, November 13, 2017.

Discussion: None

Vote: Motioned carried

Yes	No	Abstain
7	0	0

7. Public Participation

The Board welcomes public participation in accordance with Thomaston Board of Education Policy 9325(a) - Bylaws of the Board Meeting Conduct. Specifically, provision for permitting any individual or group to address the Board concerning any subject that lies within its jurisdiction shall be as follows:

- Five minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of twenty minutes to each subject matter.
- No boisterous conduct shall be permitted at any Board of Education meeting. Persistence in boisterous conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the chair, of that person's privilege of address. If necessary, the Chairperson may clear the room so that Board members may continue the meeting.
- No oral presentation shall include charges or complaints against any employee of the Board of Education, regardless of whether or not the employee is identified in the presentation by name or by another reference that tends to identify an individual. All charges or complaints against employees shall be submitted to the Board of Education under provision of Board of Education policy.

The Thomaston Board of Education is confident you will observe the rules of common courtesy. Thank you.

8. Approval of Minutes:

8.1.Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes dated October 16, 2017

Vote to accept/approve Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated October 16, 2017 as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve the Regular Meeting Minutes dated October 16, 2017 as presented.

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
4	0	3 Kathleen Freimuth Rebecca Guay Anne Petrucci

8.2.Special Meeting of the Board of Education dated October 16, 2017

Vote to accept/approve Special Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated October 16, 2017 as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve the Special Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes dated October 16, 2017 as presented.

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion carried

Yes	No	Abstain
4	0	3 Kathleen Freimuth Rebecca Guay Anne Petrucci

9. Recognitions:

9.1. November Rotary Student of the Month – Jonathan Wilson

10. Presentations:

10.1. “One School, One Book” Program – Ms. Susan Larson, Vince Russman, Landen Galpin, Emily Morton, and Jenna Johnson

11. Student Representative’s Report

12. Chairperson’s Report

12.1. CABE Awards

12.1.1. CABE Board Recognition Award Level Two

12.1.2. Bonnie Carney Award of Excellence for Education Communication

12.2. Public Participation Letter

13. Superintendent’s Report

13.1. State Board of Education Memorandum – Science Waiver Approval and Revised Summative Calendar

13.2. State Board of Education Memorandum – Seeking your Nomination for the US Presidential Scholar Program

13.3. State Board of Education Memorandum – Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant

13.4. State Board of Education Memorandum – Connecticut Seal of Biliteracy Guidelines

13.5. Certificate of Appreciation – Thomaston Board of Education – 2017 Charity Golf Tournament

13.6. Effective School Solutions

13.6.1. Insights, October 2017

13.6.2. Solutions, October 2017

13.7. Thomaston Public Schools News for Staff – October 2017

13.8. FMLA Requests

13.9. Administrator Reports

13.10. Enrollment Report

13.11. Personnel

13.11.1. Danielle O’Neil, New Hire, Music Teacher, Black Rock School

13.11.2. Doug Craig, Temporary Re-assignment, Technology Education, .5 FTE Thomaston Center School and .5 FTE Black Rock School to 1 FTE Thomaston Center School

13.11.3. Christopher O’Keefe, New Hire, Custodian, Thomaston High School

13.11.4. Sharon Collette, New Hire, Part-time NAEYC Preschool Paraprofessional, Black Rock School

13.11.5. Andrew Cavallo, New Hire, Mathematics Teacher, Thomaston High School

13.11.6. Halil Manjani, Resignation, Mathematics Teacher, Thomaston High School

Vote to accept/approve New Hires/Re-assignments/Resignations as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve New Hires/Terminations/Re-assignments/Resignations as presented.

Discussion: None:

Vote: Motion carried

<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

- 13.11.7. Ernie LeClerc, Boys' Middle School Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.8. Robert Stack, Girls' Middle School Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.9. Salvatore Santa Maria, Junior Varsity Boys' Soccer Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.10. Robert McMahon, Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.11. Aaron Bunel, Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.12. Anthony Geraci, Junior Varsity Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.13. John Varanelli, Varsity Wrestling Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.14. Mark Sousa, Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach Thomaston High School
- 13.11.15. Terry Waldron, Varsity Cheerleading Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.16. Kelly Finley, Freshman Girls' Basketball Coach, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.17. Preston Soeprasetyo, Freshman Boys' Basketball, Thomaston High School
- 13.11.18. Mark Olsen, Indoor Track Coach, Thomaston High School

Vote to accept/approve Schedule K/Coach/Positions as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve Schedule K/Coach positions as presented.

Discussion: None:

Vote: Motion carried

<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

14. Committee Reports

14.1. Budget/Audit Committee

14.1.1. October Business Report

- Transportation Service Requests
- Heating Oil
- Budget Time Table
- FOI Request
- PATHS Contract

14.1.2. October Finance Report

- 2016/2019 Grant Report
- October 2017 Expenditures \$1,354,750.85
- October 2017 Transfers \$0.00

Vote to accept/approve Business and Finance Report and Expenditures as presented

Kathleen Freimuth motioned and Anne Petrucci seconded to accept/approve the October Business and Finance Report and Expenditures as presented.

Discussion: Scott Theriault inquired about the status of the heating oil.

Superintendent Coss explained that last month the Board voted on a strike price of \$1.82. Most recently, the price has been \$1.89/\$1.92 depending on the day. The price has not come down low enough to strike. Possibly, during the December meeting the Business

Manager may ask the Board of Education to reconsider the strike price and make it a range to strike.

Vote: Motion carried

<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

14.2. Policy Committee

14.2.1. Presentations - None

14.2.2. Action Items - None

14.2.3. Read Items

14.2.3.1. 1st Read Policy Audit Series 7000

14.2.3.2. 1st Read Policy 6142.10 Health Education Program

14.2.4. Discussion Items

14.2.4.1. Policy Audit Series 6000

14.2.4.2. Policy/Regulation 6142.101 Student Nutrition (School Wellness Policy)

14.2.4.3. Information Technology Security Audit - Non Criminal Justice Agency Policy Assessment

- Fingerprinting and Criminal Justice Information Services
- Policy 4112.5 Security Check/Fingerprinting
- NIS-CT Questionnaire NCJA
- MOU HC FP BOE December 29, 2016
- Fingerprint Submission-Fee Survey Instructions
- FBI CJIS SAT for NCJA 2017
- CHRI Proper Access, Use and Dissemination Policy

15. Adjournment

Kathleen Freimuth motion and Anne Petrucci seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion carried

<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>