

# MINUTES THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

Thomaston Center School Main Conference Room Friday, October 29, 2021 9:30 a.m.

#### **Mission Statement:**

In a partnership of family, school and community, our mission is to educate, challenge and inspire each individual to excel and become a contributing member of society.

## **Board of Education Goals:**

- 1) Spotlight on one staff member each Regular meeting (September June)
- 2) Conduct meetings that are efficient using hybrid meeting technology
- 3) Provide relevant research and data prior to the formal presentation of that information to the Board.

### **Members:**

Beth Campbell, Chairperson David Colavecchio, Vice Chairperson Heather Patchell, Secretary Roxy Fainer, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent
Nicole Rinaldi
Jennifer Nolan

Sarah Ethier Steven Carr Matthew VanOrmer

# Student Representatives 2021 - 2022 Cesar Velez Delaney Jose

1.Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order (Bylaws of the Board 9325.1 - Quorum)

- 1.1. Treasurer Roxy Fainer called the meeting to order at 9:32am.
- 1.2. Members in Attendance: Treasurer Roxy Fainer, Chairperson Beth Campbell, Secretary Heather Patchell, and Matthew VanOrmer, Superintendent Francine Coss
- 1.3. Members Absent: Vice Chairperson David Colavecchio, Nicole Rinaldi, Jennifer Nolan, Sarah Ethier, Steven Carr
- 1.4. Student Representatives Absent: **Delaney Jose and Cesar Velez** (the student representatives were not required to attend the meeting)
- 1.5. Others in Attendance: John Perrucci, Gianni Perugini, Attorney Sara Saucier, Student 1, Parent of Student 1

## 2. Anticipated Executive Session

## 2.1 Confidential Student Matter - Student 1

Roxy Fainer motioned that the Board enter Executive Session at 9:34am to discuss a matter involving a student that would likely result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein as described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210, subsections (b)(2), (11) and (17). Only those invited by the Board may be present in the Executive Session. The board invites the following individuals into executive session: Francine Coss, John Perrucci, Gianni Perugini, Attorney Sara Saucier, parent of student 1, student 1 and Matthew VanOrmer seconded.

Discussion: None Opposed: None Abstentions: None Motion Carried: 4-0-0

Exit Executive Session at 10:17am.

Roxy Fainer motioned that the Board of Education adopt in its entirety the document received and discussed in Executive Session concerning Student 1 titled "Stipulated Agreement" and dated October 28, 2021, and pursuant to the terms of that document and Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, the board expel Student 1, as discussed in Executive Session, from attendance at Thomaston Public Schools. This document titled "Stipulated Agreement" shall constitute the written communication to the parties regarding the Board's decision and the reasons therefore, as is consistent with the Board's executive session discussion and Matthew VanOrmer seconded.

Discussion: None Opposed: None Abstentions: None Motion carried: 4-0-0

## 3. Adjournment

Roxy Fainer motioned and Beth Campbell seconded to adjourn the meeting. Beth Campbell adjourned the meeting at 10:18am.