



**MINUTES  
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESIDENCY HEARING  
Thomaston High School  
Superintendent's Conference Room  
Friday, March 10, 2023  
10:30a.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.

**2022-2023 Board of Education Goals:**

1. Board Members shall respond to invitations within 24 hours.
2. Board Members will attend district events.

**Members:**

Roxy Fainer, Chairperson  
Heather Patchell, Secretary  
Beth Campbell  
Frank Treglia

Francine Coss, Superintendent  
Marie Eldridge  
Delaney Jose, Student Representative  
Nathan Marsh, Student Representative

David Colavecchio, Vice Chairperson  
Steven Carr, Treasurer  
Sarah Ethier  
Matthew VanOrmer

**1. Call to Order**

- 1.1. Meeting called to order by **Chairperson Roxy Fainer** at 10:30a.m.
- 1.2. Board Members in Attendance: **Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Marie Eldridge, Matthew VanOrmer**
- 1.3. Board Members Absent: **Vice Chairperson David Colavecchio, Secretary Heather Patchell, Treasurer Steven Carr, Beth Campbell, Sarah Ethier, Frank Treglia, Superintendent Francine Coss**
- 1.4. Student Representatives Absent: **Delaney Jose and Nathan Marsh** (*the student representatives were not required to attend the meeting*)
- 1.5. Others in Attendance: Father of Student M, Attorney Nicholas Grello

**2. Executive Session**

Proposed Executive Session regarding a confidential student accommodations matter entered into Executive Session at 10:30a.m.

**Marie Eldridge motioned and Matthew VanOrmer seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session**  
**Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Matthew Vanormer, Marie Eldridge, Father of Student M and Attorney Nicholas Grello were in attendance during Executive Session**

Motion Carried 3-0-0

**3. Potential Action on Matters Discussed in Executive Session - Exit Executive Session at 10:37a.m.**

**Roxy Fainer motioned and Matthew VanOrmer seconded** that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §10-186 and the discussion held in the executive session, the Thomaston Board of Education concludes that Student M is a resident of the Town of Thomaston, and therefore, should not be denied school accommodations in the Town of Thomaston. Accordingly, Student M shall be provided school accommodations in the town of Thomaston. In the event that Student M or the family of Student M's circumstances change after the date of the final decision in this matter, the Board reserves the right to consider such circumstances and determine whether the residency of Student M or his/her family has changed and take appropriate action, including but not limited to denying school accommodations and seeking tuition reimbursement, as permitted by Law, from the Parents of Student M. Further, the Board authorizes Attorney Grello to communicate in writing the board's decision and the reasons therefore consistent with the board's executive session discussion with Student M and his parent.

Motion Carried 3-0-0

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**4. Adjournment**

**Marie Eldridge motioned and Matthew VanOrmer seconded** to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried 3-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 10:38a.m.