



Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, June 6, 2022 7:00 PM

Board Meeting Room
Administrative Offices
137 B Glenwood Road
Clinton, CT 06413

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM.

Jason Adler:	Absent
Erica Gelven:	Present
Michael Hornyak:	Present
Peter Nye:	Present
Alan Samet:	Present
Jack Scherban:	Present
Catherine Staunton:	Present

1. Opening Exercises

A. Roll call

Also in attendance were Superintendent Maryann O'Donnell and Student Representative Abel Rodriguez.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

All stood for the pledge. Attendees were reminded that the meeting was being recorded.

2. Public participation/recognition

There was no public participation.

3. Minutes - Approval - Regular Meeting of May 16, 2022

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 16, 2022. Carried with a motion by Michael Hornyak and a second by Jack Scherban.

Jason Adler:	Absent
Erica Gelven:	Yea
Michael Hornyak:	Yea
Peter Nye:	Abstain
Alan Samet:	Yea
Jack Scherban:	Yea
Catherine Staunton:	Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain: 1

4. Communications

There were no communications.

5. Report of Student Representatives

A. Rodriguez reported on events at each of the schools. The Morgan School yearbooks have been distributed. The Creative Arts Expo was held on May 26 and on May 31 the juniors went on a field trip to Bushy Hill. Class elections for student government have taken place and A. Rodriguez was congratulated for being elected Vice President of the senior class. The senior and underclassmen award ceremonies were successful and spring sports finals and championships are winding down.

At Jared Eliot School, field trips to Mystic and Holiday Hill took place. A social will be held on June 9 with the theme of "Carnival". The 8th graders were exposed to a nice variety of professions on Career Day and spirit week events are planned as the school year closes out.

At Joel, the ice cream social, chorus concerts, and Marine Science Day were very successful. Like Eliot, Joel has a number of fun spirit week days planned for the end of the year.

The Board thanked A. Rodriguez for his insights during the year and is looking forward to his return as a senior representative next school year.

6. Administrative Reports

A. Administrators, Program Directors and Teachers

1. General Update

B. Assistant Superintendent's Report

1. General Update

M.. O'Donnell read the report in M. Famglietti's absence. The Valley Shore YMCA has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$83,651 which will be used for the summer SAIL program students to attend the YMCA camp in the afternoon. Students served will include grades K to 4 who are currently receiving tiered intervention in math, English, and/or ELL. The grant will help to provide transportation, lunches, and enrollment of students in the Y's portion of the summer SAIL program.

On June 14, the health and PE teachers at Morgan will receive instructor training in First Aid/CPR. Their certification will allow them to train Morgan students in First Aid/CPR as part of the Health II curriculum.

On June 20, summer curriculum writing sessions with teachers will begin.

The Board was reminded about the Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing open house being held on Tuesday, June 7 and an open house on June 8 for the bilingual transition program.

C. Business Manager's Report

1. Bills Payable

In C. Dickey's absence, M. O'Donnell answered questions regarding accounts payable.

2. Review and Possible Approval re: Purchase of Equipment for Eliot Food Service

M. Hornyak had questions regarding the cost of the sink replacement. M. O'Donnell explained that the contractor's original quote and the Board's previous motion did not include the necessary funding for the purchase and installation of a three-bay sink in the Eliot kitchen. It was inadvertently omitted from the last quote. M. O'Donnell confirmed the need for the additional request and approved and stated that all components should be delivered at the same time and completed by the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.

MOTION: To approve the expenditure of \$11,819.00 from the Eliot Equipment Food Service account to upgrade the sink in the Eliot kitchen. Carried with a motion by Catherine Staunton and a second by Alan Samet.

Jason Adler: Absent
Erica Gelven: Yea
Michael Hornyak: Yea
Peter Nye: Yea
Alan Samet: Yea
Jack Scherban: Yea
Catherine Staunton: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3. Capital Extension Request

M.O'Donnell provided the Board with information on several capital project accounts that will be carried into the new school year. The accounts are due to expire on June 30 and contain funds for planned projects that will not be finished by June 30. A question was asked about the amount for HVAC and also about the locations of some of the work. M. O'Donnell stated she would clarify and provide that information to the Board.

4. General Update

7. Superintendent's Report

A. List of Potential Morgan 2022 Graduates

The Board was provided a list of potential graduates for the 2021-22 school year. Board members who want to attend graduation were directed to contact the Superintendent.

B. College Attendance & Acceptance Report

M. O'Donnell provided a summary of the college acceptance and attendance plans for the Class of 2022. The number of students heading into college, careers, and the technical trades remains fairly consistent with past years, with a slight uptick in the number of students going directly into the workforce.

The college acceptances report indicated a strong number of acceptances and great opportunities for students.

C. Goals Update

M. O'Donnell provided an end-of-year update related to the progress and achievement of the district goals for 2021-22. The Superintendent discussed some of the goals addressed including NEASC Accreditation, student academic support, health during Covid-19, universal screening, social/emotional and mental health, rebranding initiatives, and work in equity and inclusive practices. Grant funding was maximized to potentially reduce costs and meet district needs.

D.Safe Return to School Plan Update and Public Input/Comment

M. O'Donnell discussed the Safe Return to School plan which is required to be formally updated every six months, the latest update due by June 23, 2022. She explained the process for updating and incorporating any comments or feedback provided and noted that it will be posted on the district website by June 23. Updates will continue to take place every six months through September 30, 2023.

Questions followed regarding the posting of Covid cases on the website and communication processes for each school when there are positive cases identified..

E.General Update

8.Reports of Board of Education Subcommittees and Special Committees

A.General Updates

There are no subcommittee meetings currently scheduled but the Policy and Building & Grounds subcommittees will need to meet during the summer. At the Board retreat, subcommittee membership will be reviewed.

9.Personnel Information

C. Stauton asked if future reports could include the resumes of personnel being hired.

10.Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM Carried with a motion by Peter Nye and a second by Alan Samet.

Jason Adler:	Absent
Erica Gelven:	Yea
Michael Hornyak:	Yea
Peter Nye:	Yea
Alan Samet:	Yea
Jack Scherban:	Yea
Catherine Staunton:	Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1	

Michael Hornyak, Board Secretary

Allison Friday, Board Recorder