

REVISED

**ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ENFIELD, CONNECTICUT**

Time-Place:

**Council Chambers
820 Enfield Street
Enfield, CT
7:00 PM Regular Meeting**

Date: 06/11/19

- 1. Call to Order – 7:00 PM**
- 2. Invocation or Moment of Silence – Chris Rutledge**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Rutledge**
- 4. Fire Evacuation Announcement**
- 5. Roll Call**
- 6. Board Guest(s)**
 - a. JFK History Students**
 - b. Red, White & Blue School**
 - c. EHS Student Recognition**
- 7. Superintendent's Report**
 - a. Student Representatives**
 - b. Thank You Mount Carmel Society**
 - c. Early Release Days & Last Day of School**
 - d. EHS Graduation Ceremony**
 - e. June Events**
- 8. Audiences**
- 9. Board Members' Comments**
- 10. Unfinished Business**
 - a. Discussion and Action if any, regarding Adopting the FY2019-20 Budget**
- 11. New Business**
 - a. Approve 2019-20 Family Resource Center Grant**
 - b. Approve the 2019-20 Healthy Food Certification**
 - c. Discussion and Action if any, regarding the June 25, 2019 Regular Board of Education Meeting**
- 12. Board Committee Reports**

d. Curriculum Committee	e. Joint Facilities Committee
e. Finance, Budget Committee	f. JFK Building Committee
f. Policy Committee	g. Joint Security Committee
g. Leadership Committee	h. Any additional Committees
- 13. Approval of Minutes:**
 - Regular BOE Meeting Minutes – May 28, 2019**
- 14. Approval of Accounts and Payroll**
- 15. Correspondence and Communications**
- 16. Executive Session**
- 17. Adjournment**



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Board Guests

- a. **JFK History Students:** We welcome our Social Studies Coordinator Joel Senez to tonight's meeting. Mr. Senez is here with some of the John F. Kennedy Middle School grade 8 students. The students researched the soldiers that are honored on the Civil War Soldiers Monument in Enfield. They presented the information to the Enfield High Graphic Design students and they designed signs for each of the soldiers displaying their biographies. The signs will be displayed throughout Enfield.

During the Memorial Day Ceremony, the students presented the first sign honoring a fallen Civil War soldier from Enfield to Mayor Ludwig. The students will create 39 signs at the end of this project (one for each soldier).

- b. **Red, White and Blue School:** Mr. Senez is also here to about the recognition we received from the CTDOE and the CT Secretary of the State as a "Red, White, and Blue" school again. The JFK grade 8 and EHS graphic arts students "Hero from Our Neighborhood" project was recognized with distinction. An awards ceremony was held on Thursday, June 6th at the Irving Robbins Middle School in Farmington where Secretary of the State Denise Merrill and Education Commissioner Diana Wentzell presented the award to us.

Please join me by congratulating Mr. Senez, JFK grade 8 students and the EHS Graphic Design students for representing Enfield so proudly.

- c. **EHS Student Recognition:** Tonight, we welcome Craig Pelkey, Greg Boswell, Becky Boswell and Amanda Pelkey from the EYSA Enfield Ramblers association. They are here to recognize and present an award to a well deserving senior from Enfield High School – Francis Crowley. Please join me in welcoming the Enfield Ramblers and the Crowley family to tonight's meeting.



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Superintendent's Report

- a. **Student Representatives:** Each Student Representative may have some information or comments to share with the Board regarding events/happenings at Enfield High School.
- b. **Thank You Mount Carmel Society:** Earlier tonight, Board members, Town Council Members, Enfield High staff, parents and National Honor Society graduating students attended a recognition dinner at Mount Carmel. We thank the members from the Mount Carmel Society for hosting the 2019 National Honor Society Recognition Dinner event once again. This long-standing tradition is greatly appreciated by the staff, students and families in Enfield.
- c. **Early Release Day & Last Day of School:** All Enfield Public School students will be dismissed early on June 14th and 17th. Lunch will be served for K-8 students. June 17th is the last day of school for students. We wish our students, families and staff a restful summer and we will see you all on August 28th.
- d. **EHS Graduation:** The Enfield High School Graduation will be held on Tuesday, June 18th at 7:00 PM outside on the athletic fields weather permitting. Each Board member has received an invitation. A quorum agenda is enclosed in your packet.
- e. **June Events:** Listed below are some of the events/happenings in our schools during May June.
 - 06-12-19 Parkman Chorus Concert will be held in the Gym at 6:30 PM;
 - 06-13-19 Parkman Instrumental Band Concert will be held in the Gym at 6:30 PM.



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Discussion and Action if any, regarding Adopting the FY2019-20 Budget

At this time, I will update the Board regarding the FY2019-20 Budget.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriate regarding Adopting the FY2019-20.



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Approve 2019-20 Family Resource Center Grant

Every two years, the Town Council and Board of Education need to jointly approve the Family Resource Center Grant application being offered by the State of Connecticut Department of Education. The anticipated \$100,000 grant award will fund the Family Resource Center at Henry Barnard. Town Council members will approve this grant on Monday, June 17th.

Enclosed in your packet is a memo with additional information from Amy Morales, Family Resource Center Coordinator. Mrs. Morales is available to address any questions from the Board at this time.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriate regarding Approving the 2019-20 Family Resource Center Grant.



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Approve the 2019-20 Healthy Food Certification

Our Nutrition Services Director, Diane Edwards has provided the Board with the enclosed memo regarding the Healthy Food Certification Statement for 2019-20. The State of Connecticut requires all districts to complete the certification statement certifying that all food items sold to students will meet or will not meet the Connecticut Nutritional Standards.

The Enfield Public Schools lunch program meets all Federal and State nutrition guidelines. Ms. Edwards recommends that we do not certify the 2019-20 Connecticut Healthy Food Certification due to the additional restrictions that are required. The costs needed to comply with the certification will exceed the reimbursement incentive.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriate to indicate that the Board elects to not certify the 2019-20 Healthy Food Certification Statement.



Date: June 11, 2019
To: Enfield Board of Education
From: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek
Re: Discussion and Action if any, regarding the June 25, 2019 Regular Board of Education Meeting

Chairman Kruzel will address this item.

Therefore, the Enfield Board of Education may take any action(s) deemed appropriately regarding the June 25, 2019 Regular Board of Education meeting.

Item #6a.

Town Council and BOE Meeting

"Hero From Our Neighborhood" Project Presentation

Presenters:

Town Council 6/3/19

Anna Bemiss

Samantha Plummer

Sabrina Juhasz

Board of Ed. 6/10/19

Anna Bemiss

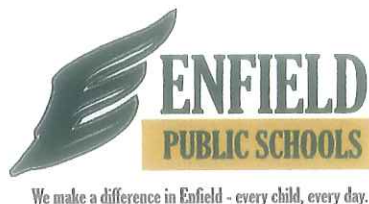
Samantha Plummer

Sabrina Juhasz

Madelyn Bouchard

The 8th grade history classes at JFK have undertaken a special project designed to further honor the soldiers from Enfield who gave "The Last Full Measure of Devotion" to our nation during America's Civil War. JFK students researched the lives and military records of the 39 soldiers honored on the Civil War Soldiers Monument located on N. Main Street. Students presented their research to the Graphic Design students at Enfield High School. They have designed 39 signs, one for each soldier, to be posted throughout town displaying the biographies we have written.

JFK students have done fundraisers to pay for the creation and printing of these signs. Students will present the first of these signs to the town.



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June 10, 2019

Mrs. Suzanne Olechnicki, Town Clerk
Enfield Town Hall
820 Enfield Street
Enfield, Connecticut

Dear Mrs. Olechnicki:

Please be advised, there is a possibility that a quorum of the Board may be in attendance at the June 18, 2019 Enfield High School Graduation being held at Enfield High at 7:00 PM. This is not a Board meeting and no Board actions shall occur.

cc: BOE



Item #11a.

TOWN OF ENFIELD

June 7, 2019

Honorable Members
Town of Enfield Board of Education
Enfield, Connecticut

Subject: State Department of Education Family Resource Center Grant

Background:

The Family Resource Center (FRC) Grant Application is being released for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021 by the State of Connecticut Department of Education. While the Town of Enfield is the fiscal agent responsible for grant administration, this grant is submitted collaboratively with the Enfield Board of Education. The anticipated grant award will be \$100,000. This grant funds the FRC that is located in Henry Barnard School.

The Family Resource Center's mission is to ensure that parents are supported in their role as their child's first teacher, and that children enter school ready to learn, with an emphasis on families with children ages birth-8. The program is designed to help connect school, families and the community and provides a space within the school where families can access a variety of services and resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Morales
Family Resource Center Coordinator

Healthy Food Certification in Schools for School Year 2019-20

Healthy Food Certification Statement and Recommendation
Submitted by Diane Edwards, Director of Nutrition Services
June 7, 2019

The State of CT Dept. of Education requires all districts to complete the healthy food certification statement which requires action by the school board. The district has the option of certifying that all food items sold to students will or will not meet the CT Nutrition Standards. These food items include all food offered for sale to students at all times in all schools and from all sources, including, but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, fundraisers and any other sources of food sales to students on school premises. The state is currently offering a monetary incentive of \$.10 per reimbursable lunch served if we chose to certify that we are meeting the CT Nutrition Standards for Foods as required by the CT Healthy Certification regulations.

It is my recommendation that we do not certify for the school year 2019-20. Certifying will require more restrictions to be in place for all fundraising involving food items, the sale of food and beverages at all functions held on school premises at any time and requiring the appointment of a District Contact Person to oversee the entire school system to assure compliance. I do not see a benefit for our school system or the students in our schools from certifying. I believe our wellness policy promotes and provides for an environment that is healthy and nutritious for our students. Our successful triannual State and Federal Review of our program reflects that we meet and exceed the Federal and State Nutrition guidelines of providing a selection of fresh fruits and vegetables every day at every school and serve all whole grains products in addition to meeting the lower sodium and fat recommended levels.

In addition, the costs to comply with the certification will exceed the reimbursement incentive. The funds that come from the certification cannot be allocated to any other department; they must go to the food service department. The additional \$.10 per meal is appropriated to the Nutrition Department yet all areas of the school system will have to make changes that will affect them monetarily, yet they cannot share in the reimbursement incentive.

In conclusion, in consideration of these reasons, I recommend that we do not certify for the school year 2019-20.

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 28, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Enfield Board of Education was held at Town Hall in Council Chambers, located at 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT on May 28, 2019.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Walter Kruzel.
2. **INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Walter Kruzel
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Walter Kruzel
4. **FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Walter Kruzel announced the fire evacuation announcement.
5. **ROLL CALL:**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich Regnier, Charlotte Riley, Tina LeBlanc, Tim Neville, Scott Ryder and Walter Kruzel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chris Rutledge, Ashley Depeau and Sarah Hernandez

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Christopher J. Drezek, Superintendent; Mr. Andrew B. Longey, Assistant Superintendent

Chairman Kruzel stated that Mr. Rutledge is ill and cannot attend tonight, Ms. Depeau and Sarah Hernandez are both on vacation.

Chairman Kruzel added that Mr. Drezek is also unable to attend tonight's meeting. He is attending another Board meeting with his daughter.

6. BOARD GUEST(S)

a. Student World Languages Recognition

Mr. Longey welcomed our World Languages Coordinator Amy Jensen, EHS and JFK staff and students to tonight's meeting.

Mrs. Jensen thanked Board members for inviting them to tonight's meeting. She introduced JFK teacher Ms. Pamela Estes and EHS teacher Mrs. Amanda Robustelli-Price. All the World Language teachers that are part of CT COLT can acknowledge 5 eligible students. We awarded 34 students from JFK and EHS to receive this special recognition.

Mrs. Robustelli-Price is the president elect for the CT COLT association. She stated we are the largest organization comprised of World Language Teachers in Connecticut. We are very appreciative to recognize our talented world language students. We thank the students for all their efforts and dedication. We are so excited to share our passion about world languages with the Board. The students will introduce themselves.

The students attending tonight's meeting are (including the school they attend and the language they are learning): EHS - Rebecca Babbitt (Spanish & French); EHS - Madison Lopez (Spanish); JFK - Anna Bemiss (French); JFK - Madelyn Bouchard (Spanish); JFK - Madison Bohan (Spanish); Angelina Artis (Spanish) and JFK - Ariana Swanger (Spanish).

Mr. Ryder asked if they have any plans to study abroad after high school, college or post education? One student is planning to become a Physician's Assistant and would like to be bilingual. Another student is planning to become a Language Arts teacher.

Mrs. Riley asked how many students are in high school. There are two (2) students from EHS and four (4) students from JFK.

Mrs. Jensen stated that Mrs. Robustelli-Price will take eight (8) World Language students to Quebec, Canada this summer.

Mrs. LeBlanc asked Ms. Babbitt which language she likes better since she is study two world languages. Ms. Babbitt stated they both have their perks. Spanish has a lot of culture behind it and she likes the sound of French.

Mr. Longey took a picture of the students and will post this on twitter. Board members gave the students around of applause and thanked them for coming.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Student Representatives – as presented
- b. Early Release Day – as presented
- c. Rachel's Challenge Kindness Carnival – as presented
- d. Adult Education Graduation Ceremony – as presented
- e. PK STEAM Moving Up Ceremony – as presented
- f. National Honor Society Recognition Dinner – as presented
- g. Grants Report – as presented
- h. Personnel Report – as presented
- i. May/June Events – as presented

8. AUDIENCES - None

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Ryder stated the high school State Tournament Baseball and Softball games have been move to Wednesday due to the weather. The Enfield High Boys Varsity Baseball will play against Norwich at Powder Hollow at 3:30 PM. The Enfield High Girls Varsity will play against Shelton at 4:00 PM at the Enfield Annex. Boys Volleyball will play at 6:00 PM in Staples. The EHS State Track Meet will take place at Willowbrook Park in New Britain. The Boys Tennis will play at Hall High, Class LL Championship game. He wished them all good luck.

Mr. Ryder stated Eli Whitney will hold a Principal Focus Group on May 30th at Eli Whitney at 5:30 PM. Hazardville Memorial families are also welcomed to attend this focus group.

Mr. Ryder stated Eli Whitney held their Unity Day last week. It was the one-day last week it didn't rain. He Thanked Ms. Dippel for choosing a perfect day. The students had a great day.

Mrs. LeBlanc stated the EHS Senior Prom will be on Friday, May 31st. The next level ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 30th at 11:45 AM for student athletes that will continue playing in college.

Mrs. LeBlanc wished all our athletic teams' good luck in their state games.

Mrs. LeBlanc attended the Scholarships and Awards night at EHS on Monday, May 20th. She wished Matt Campo was here tonight to congratulate him. She congratulated all the students that received scholarships. The money you received will help you with your college expenses.

Mr. Regnier congratulated the Enfield Girls Soccer U11 Team for winning their tournament in Cape Cod last weekend.

Mr. Regnier stated he received several concerns from parents about moving Head Start to the Stowe building. These concerns have been passed along to the superintendent.

Mrs. Riley stated the last First Readers Ceremony for this school year will be held on June 3rd. The Chief of Police and Deputy Chief of Police will handout books and rulers to the students. We are looking for volunteers. Please join us on June 3rd at EHS at 5:00 PM.

Mrs. Riley agreed with Mrs. LeBlanc's comments about the Awards and Scholarship program at EHS. She congratulated our two student representatives Matt Campo and Jacquelyn Daigneau for receiving multiple scholarships. She also congratulated Cameron LeBlanc for the scholarships he received. She congratulated all the students and the parents should be very proud of their accomplishments.

Suspend the Rules and Add an Item to the Agenda:

Mrs. Riley moved, seconded by Mr. Rutledge to suspend the rules and add under Item 11a Approval of FY2020 Head Start Sate Grant – Innovative Enhancement Grant.

A vote by **show-of-hands 6-0-0** passed unanimously.

Mr. Ryder added that Hazardville Memorial will hold their field day on Friday, June 7th.

Mr. Ryder stated the 6th Annual Memorial Fun Run 5K and 1K for students will be held on Saturday, June 8th at 9:00 AM. You can find this information on the enfieldpto.com website.

Chairman Kruzel stated the EHS Scholarship and Awards program was well attended. Many of our students and our student representatives received multiple scholarships. He congratulated all the students for their hard work.

Chairman Kruzel stated the Enfield High Boys Baseball team played a game at Dunkin Donuts Park. The Mayor and he walked out onto the field. The Mayor threw out the first pitch and did a good job. He was ready to play. The EHS players won 4-0. It was a great game and a great venue for our students to play at.

Chairman Kruzel thanked Chloe Reed for singing the National Anthem at the baseball game at Dunkin Donuts Park and at the Memorial Day Parade. The students from Parkman also sang at the Memorial Day Parade on the Town Green. We will try to continue this each year. He would like to see the town green full of Enfield residents to listen to our students sing and hear our band play. There were a lot of people watching the parade.

Chairman Kruzel agreed with Mrs. Riley, we need more volunteers. No one is going to turn you away. Please get involved. You will be welcomed with open arms.

Mr. Neville stated we attended the Enfield Police Department Citizen Awards ceremony at the Enfield Senior Center on May 15th. Our JFK nurses were recognized for saving a student's life.

Chairman Kruzel added that you can watch this awards ceremony on YouTube. He thanked the members of the community and police department for doing a great job.

Mr. Neville stated there are many amazing things that go on everyday in our community. He thanked our citizens for going above and beyond.

Chairman Kruzel added this awards ceremony is held on the same day each year. This is when

we recognize our policemen, policewoman and citizens. There are many great things that are happening in Enfield.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

a. Approve FY2020 Head Start State Grant – Innovative Enhancement Grant

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mrs. Riley that the Enfield Board of Education approves the FY2020 Head Start State Grant – Innovative Enhancement Grant as presented.

Discussion:

Chairman Kruzel stated Board members received information about this grant tonight.

Mr. Regnier asked if moving Head Start will impact this grant in anyway? Mr. Longey stated the location change for Head Start will not impact this. This is approved each year.

A vote by roll-call 6-0-0 passed unanimously.

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Curriculum Committee - None

Mr. Neville reported the Curriculum Committee meet on May 13, 2019.

b. Finance, Budget Committee

Mrs. Riley reported the Finance, Budget Committee meeting on June 17th has been cancelled for the Business Office to close out the year. We will meet next on August 19th.

c. Policy Committee

Mr. Regnier reported the Policy Committee will meet on June 5th.

d. Leadership Committee - None

e. Joint Facilities Committee

Chairman Kruzel reported the Joint Facilities Committee will meet next week.

f. JFK Building Committee

Chairman Kruzel reported the JFK Building committee will meet on Thursday, May 28th.

g. Joint Security Committee

Mr. Ryder reported the Joint Security Committee will meet on June 12th.

h. Any Other Committees -

Chairman Kruzel reported the Joint Insurance Committee will meet on June 4th. The Town Council and Board will hold a joint special meeting in August about this. We will have more information about this after the June 4th meeting.

13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Riley moved, seconded by Mr. Neville that the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2019 (not May 28, 2019) be approved. A vote by show-of-hands 6-0-0 passed unanimously.

14. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYROLL - None

15. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

17. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Neville moved, seconded by Mr. Regnier to adjourn the Regular Meeting of May 28, 2019.

All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Tina LeBlanc
Secretary
Board of Education

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary