



Board of Education Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

Hybrid Meeting

In-Person Location: Bloomfield Board of Education, Board Room
1133 Blue Hills Avenue
Bloomfield, CT 06002

Virtual Option: Zoom

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Meeting ID: 860 1826 2858

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Attendance:	L. Easmon, Chair	Present
	T. Mack-Mohammed, Vice Chair	Present
	F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary	Present
	H. Frydman	Present
	K. Dunbar	Present
	L. Simone	Absent
	C. Jones	Absent

Also Present: T. Youngberg, Superintendent of Schools
D. Greco, Executive Director of Finance and Operations
G. Martinez, Executive Director of Talent Management & Community Partnerships
L. Lamenzo, Executive Director of Teaching, Learning, and Leadership
N. Jones, District Teaching & Learning Specialist
M. Sutton, Director of Student Support Services
J. White, Principal, Bloomfield High School
L. Curley-Colon, Principal, Global Experience Magnet School
L. Gambardella, Board of Education Attorney, Crumbie Law

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

L. Easmon determined a quorum was present and the Bloomfield Board of Education Special meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All rose to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board Chair asked for a moment of silence for the family of Bloomfield affected by the recent home explosion.

3. Opening Statement

F. Bogle-Assegai welcomed all attendees. The purpose and process of the Board of Education meeting were stated.



4. Recognitions

A. Board of Education Appreciation Month

Tracy A. Youngberg, Ed.D., Superintendent recognized Bloomfield’s Board of Education members for their service, time and commitment to the school district. She presented a token of appreciation to each Board member.

5. Presentations

A. Student Representative Report – Student from Global Experience Magnet School

Two student representatives from Global Experience Magnet School (GEMS) shared a Power Point providing updates from the school. The students shared information about fall and winter sports, recent student activities and honor ceremonies.

Upcoming GEMS events were also shared including the trip to Puerto Rico in April.

B. Presentation and Community Forum on the Uniform Policy

1. Overview of the district Uniform Policy

Dr. Tracy Youngberg, Superintendent shared some background information relative to the district’s Uniform Policy 5132. There was a survey shared in July 2025 and the results were relative split with a little more than half of families wanting to eliminate the Uniform Policy. The district decided to keep for one school year. Comparative data to the District Reference Group (DRG), Alliance districts and national statistics was shared.

2. Public Comments on the Uniform Policy

Students, parents, and staff had an opportunity to share thoughts and feelings regarding continuing with a district uniform policy versus a district dress code policy. ([Comments](#) from March 10, 2026 start time 18:37 end time 37:51) Dr. Youngberg noted she will share the comments she received in writing with the Board of Education.

A short break was taken from 7:38 to 7:40 p.m.

6. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting – February 17, 2026

B. Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting – February 26, 2026

A motion was made by T. Mack-Mohammed and seconded by K. Dunbar for the Bloomfield Board of Education to approve the consent agenda, as presented.

L. Easmon, Chair	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed, Vice Chair	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary	Aye
H. Frydman	Abstain
K. Dunbar	Aye

The motion passed 5-0-0.



7. Superintendent's Report

A. Superintendent's Update

Dr. Tracy Youngberg, Superintendent shared updates on the following items:

- Budget Timeline – Budget was delivered to the Town on March 9, 2026 and the Superintendent is scheduled to present on March 26, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.
- United Way Read Across America Day on March 5, 2026
- BPS Literacy Week is March 2 – 6, 2026 and partnered with Bloomfield Public Library
- Farewell to GEMS will be held on June 3, 2026 and CAIS event will be held on June 11, 2026. Communications will be going out.

B. Human Resources – Staffing Report

G. Martinez provided a staffing update. The report provided updates for the month of February 2026 including new hires, transfers, resignation and/or retirements. A vacancy report was also shared.

L. Easmon asked if before we post positions, if it is shared in-district. Dr. Youngberg noted that staff are welcome to apply to open positions.

R Bogle-Assegai inquired if there was a reason for a high number of ABAA resignations.

L. Easmon requested a turnover report, if available.

C. Financial Report – February 2026

Domenic Greco, Executive Director of Finance and Operations reported financials as of March 4, 2026. He noted that 3.22% of the adopted budget has yet to be expended or encumbered.

Mr. Greco noted on the one-page summary report, major account 01 Certified Salaries is overbudget by almost \$760,000 dollars. This overage is a result of new positions added at the beginning of the school year. Major object 03 Employee Benefits still shows a balance of 1.6 million dollars as funds for pension contributions have yet to be encumbered. Mr. Greco noted major object 08 Tuition is showing over budget. The variance is primarily driven by special education out-placement tuition, which is also on page 4 of the six-page report. The district anticipates this overage to be offset by Excess Cost Grant. The other major object is 11 Operations is overbudget by about \$330,000 as the district expects to receive funds from the Town for the 1% set aside account.

On page 3 of the six-page detail report, the balance of object 03500, Technical Services is showing over budget by about \$34,000 but the district did receive eRate reimbursements and will be reflected in the March report.

H. Frydman inquired about the 1% set aside account. He asked for a report as of July 2023 to current.



T. Mack-Mohammed asked to clarify what positions were added at the beginning of the year. Special Education positions and others were added that were not budgeted. Mr. Greco clarified he believes this was a total of seven positions.

8. Public/PTO Comment

No public comment.

9. Old Business

A. Review and Possible Action on the 2025-2026 Academic Calendar

Dr. Tracy Youngberg shared proposed district calendar adjustments for 2025-2026 due to the six (6) snow days. The last day of school was June 11, 2026. Friday, June 19, 2026 is not available as a school day due to the Juneteenth holiday. Dr. Youngberg proposes changing the May 20 full day professional development to an early dismissal day.

A motion was made by T. Mack-Mohammed and seconded by F. Bogle-Assegai for the Bloomfield Board of Education to approve the following changes to the 2025-2026 academic calendar, to accommodate for six school day closures due to inclement weather:

- Move the last day of school to Thursday, June 18, 2026
- Change the May 20, 2026 full day professional development day to an early dismissal professional development day.

L. Easmon, Chair	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed, Vice Chair	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye

The motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

10. Board Comments

K. Dunbar thanked everyone for joining the meeting this evening. She gave a special thank you to the students who spoke this evening with their research and feedback around school uniforms. She thanked the Board Representatives from Global Experience Magnet School.

H. Frydman mentioned the main controversies over the years was around what students are wearing and eating. He would like to honor those Board of Education members who retire from their positions.

F. Bogle-Assegai thank you to all of those who showed up online and in-person to share thoughts on school uniforms. She would really like to see more participation from families and to share their thoughts and experiences.

T. Mack-Mohammed stated her heart was heavy as they lost a Bloomfield resident. She looks forward to voting on the school uniforms. She also wants to acknowledge Women's



history month and shared her appreciation from her colleagues for the voluntary work they do.

L. Easmon thanked the Board of Education members for their time and dedication to serving the students of Bloomfield. She also recognized the BHS students and the opening of the Lion King. She is looking forward to Shrek on March 27 and March 28. The Superintendent will be presenting the budget to the Town Council on March 26, 2026 and hopes all will come out in support. Ms. Easmon noted her attendance at the Read Across American event and recognized the artwork from the students at Global Experience Magnet School in the Board room.

11. Adjournment

At 8:07 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by F. Bogle-Assegai and seconded by K. Dunbar.

The motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

F. Bogle-Assegai, Board Secretary

T. Youngberg, Superintendent of Schools