

Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 15, 2022 7:00 PM

Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, PO Box 253, Bethel, CT 06801

1. Call to Order

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

2.A. Gifts, Grants, & Bequests

3. BOARD REPORTS - PROGRESS TOWARDS DISTRICT INITIATIVES

3.A. Overview of Science of Reading

Speaker(s): Michelle
Rutledge, Director of
Teaching and Learning

4. Consent Calendar

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

4.A. Approval of Minutes

4.A.1. August 18, 2022

4.B. Approval of CABE Board Leadership Application

5. Correspondence

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

6. Public Comment

(Please note: The Board welcomes Public Comment and asks that speakers please limit their comments to 2 minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and programs that concern them. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, nor against any person connected with the Bethel Public School System.)

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

7. Administrative/Board Member Update

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

7.A. Board Chairperson Update

7.B. Administrative Update

7.B.1. 2022-2023 BOE District Data Sheet

8. Reports to the Board

8.A. Policy

Speaker(s): Policy
9310, 9311, 9313

8.A.1. First Reading

8.A.1.a. Series 5000 - FAFSA

8.A.1.b. Policy 2150 - Administrative Staff

8.A.1.c. Policy/Regulation 6146.1 -
Grading/Assessment Systems

8.A.1.d. Policy 6146.11 - Weighted Grading and
Calculation of Grade Point Averages

9. **Action Item**

9.A. Update Authorized Signers

10. **Adjourn**

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Bethel, CT**

**BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CENTRAL OFFICE**

Notification of Receipt of Gifts Received

Please send a copy of this form to the Superintendent's Office as soon as your school has received a donation of a gift. The receipt will be announced at the Board of Education regular meeting. Each school is responsible for sending the donor an acknowledgement for the gift.

Gift Received: \$500.00

How the Gift will Be Used:

Bethel Community Cares Coalition – will help provide counseling services and information to combat substance abuse for BMS and BHS students

Estimated Cash Value of the Gift:

\$500

Donor's Name and Address

**BHS Class of 1981
Karen Ledan
6 Frandon Drive
Danbury CT 06811**

(NOTE: No Goods or Services were provided by the Bethel Public Schools/Bethel Board of Education in exchange for your contribution.)

Receiving School: Bethel High School

Gift Received by (Print Name): Chris Troetti

Date Received: 06/08/2022

**Copy to: Donor
Principal
Superintendent**

**(Ref: Board Policy 3280)
Rev: 6/03**



Bethel High School

DAVID W. DEAKIN EDUCATIONAL PARK
300 WHITTLESEY DRIVE • BETHEL, CONNECTICUT 06801
P 203.794.8600 F 203.778.7448



Christopher M. Troetti
Principal

Gary M. Lawlor
Associate Principal

Mari Lerz
Assistant Principal

July 6, 2022

Karen Ledan
BHS Class of 1981
6 Frandon Drive
Danbury CT 06811

RE: Donation to Bethel Community Cares Coalition

Dear Karen and the BHS Class of 1981:

It sounds like a good time was had by all at your 41st Class Reunion last month.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your \$500 donation to the Bethel Community Cares Coalition. The BCCC is dedicated to raising awareness of the dangers of drug and alcohol use with our students.

Thank you again for your kindness!

Regards,

Christopher M. Troetti
Principal

cc: Dr. Carver

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Bethel Public Schools
Bethel, CT

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BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CENTRAL OFFICE

Notification of Receipt of Gifts, Grants, and Bequests Received

Please send a copy of this form to the Superintendent's Office as soon as your school has received a gift, grant, or bequest. The receipt will be announced at the Board of Education regular meeting. Each school is responsible for sending the donor an acknowledgement for the gift.

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received:

Marching Band Uniform Cabinets (3)

How the Gift, Grant, or Bequest will Be Used:

The cabinets will be used to transport marching band uniforms to and from weekly competitions.

Estimated Cash Value of the Gift, Grant, or Bequest:

\$1,400 (materials cost)

Donor's Name and Address

Owen Detwiler
5 Old Town Rd.
Bethel, CT 06801

(NOTE: No Goods or Services were provided by the Bethel Public Schools/Bethel Board of Education in exchange for your contribution.)

Receiving School:

Bethel High School

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received by (Print Name): Brendan Michalko

Date Received: August 18, 2022

Copy to: Donor
Principal
Superintendent

(Ref: Board Policy 3280)
Rev: 6/2017

Dr. Carver

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Bethel Public Schools
Bethel, CT

Notification of Receipt of Gifts, Grants, and Bequests Received

BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CENTRAL OFFICE

Please send a copy of this form to the Superintendent's Office as soon as your school has received a gift, grant, or bequest. The receipt will be announced at the Board of Education regular meeting. Each school is responsible for sending the donor an acknowledgement for the gift.

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received:

Diy Lego Tables Project on donorschoose.org
(See attached)

How the Gift, Grant, or Bequest will Be Used:

items will be used @ Rockwell Library
to support curriculum, EI, and Global Competencies

Estimated Cash Value of the Gift, Grant, or Bequest:

\$280.

Donor's Name and Address

Rockwell PTO (Book Dedication Funds)
Allstate Foundation - Matching donation

(NOTE: No Goods or Services were provided by the Bethel Public Schools/Bethel Board of Education in exchange for your contribution.)

Receiving School:

Rockwell

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received by (Print Name):

Kerry Collins

Date Received:

Project funded 9/1/22

Copy to: Donor

Principal

Superintendent

(Ref: Board Policy 3280)

Rev: 6/2017

Where Your Donation Goes

MATERIALS	COST	QUANT ITY	TOTAL
Ameriwood Home Parsons Modern End Table, Black • AMAZON BUSINESS	\$31.97	4	\$127.88
LVHERO Classic Baseplates Building Plates for Building Bricks 100% Compatible with All Major Brands-Baseplate, 10" x 10", Pack of 16 (Gray) • AMAZON BUSINESS	\$25.99	2	\$51.98
EZlifego Double Sided Tape Heavy Duty, Multipurpose Removable Mounting Tape Adhesive Grip,Reusable Strong Sticky Wall Tape Strips Transparent Tape Poster Carpet Tape for Paste Items,Household (9.85FT) • AMAZON BUSINESS	\$10.99	4	\$43.96

Materials cost	\$223.82
Vendor shipping charges	FREE
Sales tax	\$0.00
3rd party payment processing fee	\$3.36
Fulfillment labor & materials	\$30.00
Total project cost	\$257.18
Suggested donation to help DonorsChoose reach more classrooms	\$45.38
Total project goal	\$302.56
Still needed	\$0.00
View calculation	

Donations

If you receive donations from friends and family on a project that doesn't reach full funding, you'll be able to apply those donations to your next project.

Rockwell PTO from Connecticut gave to **DIY Lego Tables!**

Thank you for supporting our kids and making learning great!

Thank Rockwell PTO

\$128.59

with a \$151.28 match from The Allstate Foundation

September 1, 2022



Collins, Kerry <collinsk@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fwd: Rockwell PTO just gave to your project

1 message

Kerry Collins <kcollinsclan@yahoo.com>
To: Kerry Collins <collinsk@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fri, Sep 2, 2022 at 6:44 AM

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: DonorsChoose <no-reply@donorschoose.org>
Date: September 1, 2022 at 3:41:21 PM EDT
To: Kerry <kcollinsclan@yahoo.com>
Subject: Rockwell PTO just gave to your project
Reply-To: reply+3f01432f-6bd0-4e84-8d80-9d91041e5667+oeaPuLAQmUW_2FaLS67XMlew_3D_3D@reply.donorschoose.org

Hooray! Rockwell PTO just gave to DIY Lego Tables! and wrote:

"Thank you for supporting our kids and making learning great! "

Donors love hearing from you! Send a personalized thank you to this donor; **reply to this email or thank this donor on your project page before 3pm tomorrow.**

Don't have time to say thanks right now? We've got you covered! After 3pm, we'll send the thank-you message you wrote for all donors when you created this project:

"Thank you so very much for your donation to our project. My students and I appreciate your generosity. Let's play!"

This donation came in through your Teacher Page. Way to spread the word!

We sent you this email because you created this classroom project. You can edit your email preferences or unsubscribe.

Need help? Contact us.

Follow us:
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Collins, Kerry <collinsk@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fwd: The Allstate Foundation just gave to your project

1 message

Kerry Collins <kcollinsclan@yahoo.com>
To: Kerry Collins <collinsk@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fri, Sep 2, 2022 at 6:43 AM

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: DonorsChoose <no-reply@donorschoose.org>
Date: September 1, 2022 at 3:41:22 PM EDT
To: Kerry <kcollinsclan@yahoo.com>
Subject: The Allstate Foundation just gave to your project



Hooray! The Allstate Foundation just gave to DIY Lego Tables! and wrote:

"The Allstate Foundation is proud to match your donation to this project. The Allstate Foundation champions service-learning programs to ensure youth are prepared with skills and experiences to achieve their hopes and dreams and find innovative solutions to build a better world."

This donation matched Rockwell PTO's donation!

This donation doesn't need a response.

We sent you this email because you created this classroom project. You can edit your email preferences or unsubscribe.

Need help? Contact us.

DonorsChoose.org, 134 West 37 Street, 11 Floor, New York, NY 10018

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Bethel Public Schools

Update for Board of Education

Right to Read Legislation-Science of Reading Pilot



Why we are engaging in this work now?



In June 2021, *The Right to Read* Act-Legislation HB 6620 was passed.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO READ AND ADDRESSING OPPORTUNITY GAPS AND EQUITY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Focusing on Early Literacy K-3

Systematizing a coordinated statewide reading response based on the Science of Reading.

Meeting the Expectations of the Legislation



Some of the expectations outlined in the legislation include:

- Develop the **Center for Literacy Research and Reading Success** and appoint a director to oversee the work.
- Build the capacity of educators (including district leadership) in the area of teaching reading.
- Require districts to implement an evidence-based reading curriculum. (July 2023)
- Require districts utilize a universal screener from their approved list. (2023-2024)
- Build better programs for preservice teachers.

The Pilot-Building Capacity

We were chosen among twelve other schools to engage in a pilot focused on building understanding and capacity.

Participating in professional learning throughout the the year that we can turn key to the staff.

SOR District Leadership Team (Administration)

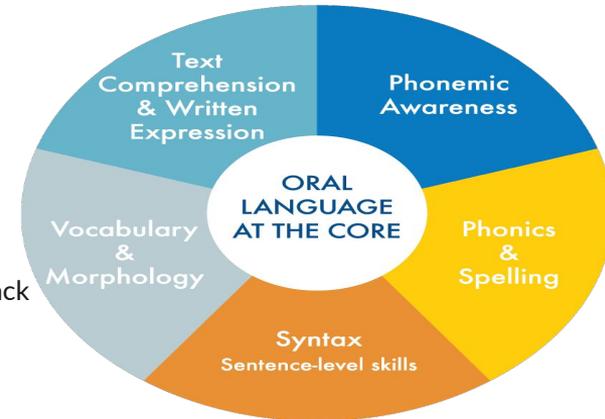
- Engage in Five Master Classes with the State focused building
- Established a District Literacy Plan (School Improvement Plans)
- Participate in affinity groups (partnered with Waterbury and New Milford)

SOR District Literacy Team (Classroom Teachers, Specialists, Coaches, Administrators)

- Explore the modules from the state share with staff
- Modules will discuss each of the components and scientifically based practices

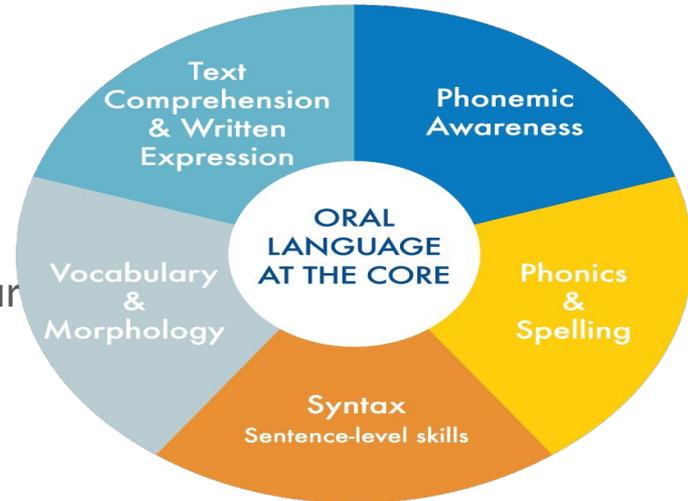
SOR Coaches (Assigned by the State)

- Working with two coaches as thought partners in the process
- Will be coming to Bethel three times and will participate in learning walks to provide feedback



Implementing Comprehensive Evidence Based Core Classroom (Tier I) Reading Curricula/Instruction.

- **Structured Literacy: Science of Reading in Practice**
 - Systematic explicit instruction that integrates all of the components of structured literacy.
 - Uses a **problem solving process with data at the center**, to ensure that instruction is individualized for the needs of students.
- Throughout this year we will learn more about each component and to make sure they are included in our curriculum/instruction.



District Literacy Plan Focus Areas



Curriculum: Strong Tier I that incorporates the components of Structured Literacy

- Team working to ensure the components are all incorporated into literacy curricula

Instruction:

- Adhering to time-made adjustments to our literacy block to meet expectations/Implementation of curriculum

Assessment: Assessing for student progress/responding to student needs

- Monitoring of students progress on an ongoing basis through PLCs and SRBI Meetings
 - Using formative assessment practices to adjust instruction where needed to meet the needs of students.
 - Applying diagnostic assessments to gather more information about students when needed to make instructional decisions.

Meeting the Expectations of the Legislation-Evidence Based Curriculum Additional Work We Will be Engaging In this Year

- *Right to Read Act*-Requires districts to implement an evidence-based reading curriculum. (July 2023)
 - SDE will be providing a short list of approved programs
 - We will be exploring the list and will make the determination to pilot if we feel there is something worth exploring
 - We will make a decision at the end of the year whether we would like to adopt a program or provide a waiver to the state. (either way, we will need to report what we are doing)

Meeting the Expectations of the Legislation-Universal Screener

Additional Work We Will be Engaging In

- *Right to Read Act requires us Administer assessments that meet the criteria for universal screening K-3*
 - NWEA (and all other adaptive assessments) are being removed from the list starting for the 2023-2024 School Year.
 - We will be working to explore what we will replace NWEA with to meet the expectations
 - Menu of approved assessments to be used for Universal Screening

[What's in the "Right to Read" Legislation? Timeline of Key Steps Required.](#)

Questions????



Minutes of the Board of Education POLICY Committee Meeting held on Thursday, September 1, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks

S. Clayton, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mr. Scott Clayton: Present
Kara DiBartolo: Present
Mr. Bill Foster: Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen, Alternate: Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin: *Absent*
Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex. Officio: *Absent*

1. Series 5000 - FAFSA

Move to the Board for a first reading Series 5000 - FAFSA. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Kara DiBartolo: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

2. Policy 2150 - Administrative Staff

Move to the Board for a first reading Policy 2150 - Administrative Staff. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Kara DiBartolo: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

3. Policy/Regulation 6146.1 - Grading/Assessment Systems

Move to the Board for first reading of Policy 6146.1 - Grading/Assessment Systems and recommend deletion of Regulation 6146.1. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Bill Foster.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Kara DiBartolo: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

4. Policy 6146.11 - Weighted Grading and Calculation of Grade Point Averages

Move to the Board for first reading Policy 6146.11 - Weighted Grading and Calculation of Grade Point Averages. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Bill Foster.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

5. Policies for future review/discussion

Dr. Carver will be participating in a Shipman & Goodwin webinar and will find out what suggestions they have for policies for review. Tonight's policies were the policies that were required. Dr. Carver and Mr. Clayton, Chair, will review to see what should come to the committee and will continue to go through the 2000 series review.

6. New Business

None.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 6:27 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT.

Attendance: Margaret Gillen

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, J. Variale, M. Rutledge, D. Burns, D. Arre

M. O'Brien, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Present
Mr. Scott Clayton:	<i>Absent</i>
Kara DiBartolo:	Present
Mr. Bill Foster:	Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	<i>Absent</i>
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	<i>Absent</i>

1. Call to Order

- 1.A. Roll Call for Quorum**
- 1.B. Pledge of Allegiance**

2. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

- 2.A. Gifts, Grants, & Bequests**

None.

3. BOARD REPORTS - PROGRESS TOWARDS DISTRICT INITIATIVES

3.A. Special Education Update

Dr. Christine Sipala, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services, provided the Board with an update on Special Education. Areas of concern are that there is an increase in special education students, large PreK, and outpaced tuition costs. Currently, the percentage of outpaced students has held steady at 4%. There are currently 520 students in special education, compared to 420. There are students with severe needs and the Pre-K is very large. Last year we added a PreK teacher to support the increase. However, PreK is already at end of year numbers.

4. Consent Calendar

- 4.A. Approval of Minutes**

4.A.1. June 21, 2022 - Special Meeting - Supt. Eval - Part I

Move to approve the minutes of June 21, 2022 - Special Meeting - Supt. Eval - Part I Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Abstain
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Abstain
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.2. June 21, 2022 - Special Meeting

Move to approve the minutes of June 21, 2022 - Special Meeting Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Kara DiBartolo.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Abstain
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Abstain
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.3. June 28, 2022 - Special Meeting - Supt. Eval - Part II

Move to approve the minutes of June 28, 2022 - Special Meeting - Supt. Eval - Part II Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Abstain
Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.4. June 28, 2022 - Special Meeting - HVAC Feasibility

Move to approve the minutes of June 28, 2022 - Special Meeting - HVAC Feasibility Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Kara DiBartolo.

Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Abstain
Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.5. July 19, 2022 - Special Meeting

Move to approve the minutes of July 19, 2022 - Special Meeting Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Abstain
Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.6. August 12, 2022 - Special Meeting

Move to approve the minutes of August 12, 2022 - Special Meeting Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Abstain
Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

5. Correspondence

- Letter from Frances Rabinowitz, Executive Director, CAPSS, regarding Dr. Christine Carver now serving as the President-Elect of the CAPSS organization.

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Administrative/Board Member Update

7.A. Board Chairperson Update

Ms. O'Brien state the August meeting was productive. The Board set its 2022-2023 Goals and discussed doing well for all students. The focus is on emotional intelligence this year and still civility and discourse. The Board discussed student success also being a community effort, staff shortages, awareness of funding and resources, and continued communications from administrators on how the district is doing with programs, assessments, and piloting.

7.B. Administrative Update

Dr. Carver introduced Kevin Durkin, Principal of Abbott Tech. Dr. Carver is Mr. Durkin's mentor for the UCONN ELP Internship. Dr. Carver informed the Board that almost all certified staffing positions are filled. Dr. Carver and Mrs. Variale toured the buildings today and the facilities look great. Some landscaping is being completed before school starts and they will be remediating some of the grass areas to re-seed, bus routes will be published next week and the First Student Bus Company is alright with staffing numbers. New school buses have been delayed due to shipping issues. The Freshman Orientation is next week, and the Astro Turf Field Project will be storing turf products temporarily in the BMS parking lot and will be laid prior to school starting. Dr. Carver informed the Board for Science of Reading K-2, the NEWA has come off the approved list for screening.

8. Reports to the Board

8.A. Resource Management & Business Operations

8.A.1. Finance

8.A.1.a. Discussion - Reorganization of Technology Dept. & Job Descriptions

Motion to approve IT reorganization and subsequent job descriptions Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

8.A.1.b. Budget Transfers

Move to approve the budget transfers as outlined. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

8.A.1.c. Budget Update

Mrs. Variale informed the Board the finance team is working to close out all remaining items from the 2021 - 2022 school year. Going into the 2022 - 2023 school year, the administration is monitoring Special Education and Transportation spending closely as these are the areas where they anticipate the most risk to our budget.

9. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 7:35 PM. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Bill Foster.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Courtney Martin: Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

2022 CABE/CAPSS CONVENTION

Public Education: Moving Forward for ALL Children

November 18-19, 2022 • Mystic Marriott Hotel, Groton

The CABE/CAPSS Convention provides Connecticut board of education members and superintendents the opportunity to acquire knowledge through general sessions and workshops that can help them prepare students to be successful in the 21st Century. Attend the Convention and experience two days focused on student growth. Hear from top-level education thought leaders on the latest educational initiatives, celebrate Connecticut's talented students, and network with school leaders from throughout the State. Experience the innovation of vendors in the Exhibit Hall.

Benefits of Attending

- Ensure you understand the skills that will enable students to be successful in the 21st Century by attending a variety of thought-provoking workshops, clinics and general sessions delivered by local and national experts.
- Potentially save your district money and enable staff to be more efficient by speaking with vendors in the Exhibit Hall.
- Connect with other members of Connecticut's educational leadership community to find invaluable support by sharing experiences and solutions with others.

Watch your email and the CABE website for additional Convention announcements.



**Get the latest information on the
CABE/CAPSS Convention at**

<https://www.cabe.org/professional-development/cabecapss-convention>

Hotel Reservations

Mystic Marriott Hotel
625 North Road, Route 117, Groton, CT 06340

Those attending the annual CABE/CAPSS Convention have been guaranteed a room rate of \$160.

This rate of \$160 is guaranteed only until **4:00 pm on October 21, 2022**. After this date, reservations for Convention participants are based on availability and are offered at the prevailing rate.

You may make reservations with the Mystic Marriott online through <https://www.cabe.org/professional-development/cabecapss-convention>

The negotiated rate code is already entered in the appropriate field, allowing you to quickly make your room reservation. You may also call the hotel's reservation department at 877-901-6632.

Purchase orders are NOT accepted; however, credit cards are accepted.

Register Early and Save Money!

Only 2022-2023 CABE member districts and CAPSS member superintendents are eligible to take advantage of early registration for the 2022 Convention.

Be Inspired! Choose From Nearly 35 Dynamic Sessions

Some of the workshops to be presented include:

Bringing More Diversity to Your CT Classrooms Through the Witness Stones Project

Collective Bargaining: Basics and More

Managing Employees Following the Great Resignation

Title IX Grievance Process from Start to Finish

CT Alliance Districts Panel Discussion

Ensuring Superintendents Are Ready to Meet Today's Challenges

Understanding CT's Freedom of Information Act (and New Remote Meetings Provisions)

Modeling Civility in Your School District

CAPSS Blueprint to Transform CT's Public Schools - 2022 Update

It Takes an Ecosystem: Building Public, Non-Profit, and Private Partnerships to Connect Students to a Digital Future

Educator Evaluation and Support

...and so much more

CABE/CAPSS Convention At A Glance

Public Education: Moving Forward for ALL Children

Friday, November 18, 2022

7:30 - 8:30 AM	Registration Begins	Mystic Ballroom
	Networking and Continental Breakfast Exhibit Area Opens	Mystic Ballroom
8:30 - 10:45 AM	Welcome	Marriott Ballroom
	Student Performance Remarks CAPSS Superintendent of the Year Keynote Address	
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Talented Student Showcase	Marriott Ballroom Lobby
10:45AM - 12:05PM Session A Workshops		
	A1 Legislative Update (LLF, D, NAB, APE)	
	A2 Title IX Grievance Process from Start to Finish (D, NAB)	
	A3 CAPSS Blueprint to Transform Connecticut's Public Schools – 2022 Update (APE, D, LLF NAB)	
	A4 Educator Evaluation and Support (APE, D, LLF)	
	A5 Differentiated Approaches to Equity-Centered Change (D)	
	A6 Creating Opportunities through Teacher Residency Partnerships (D)	
	A7 TBA	
	A8 Meeting with the State Board of Education (APE, D, LLF, NAB)	
12:05 - 12:35 PM	Networking, Reception, Exhibits	Mystic Ballroom
12:35 - 1:35 PM	Luncheon Acknowledgment of Guests Networking	Marriott Ballroom
1:35 - 2:05 PM	Dessert/Networking in Exhibit Area	Mystic Ballroom
2:05 - 3:20 PM Session B Workshops		
	B1 Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members and Superintendents (NAB)	
	B2 Ensuring Superintendents Are Ready to Meet Today's Challenges (APE, LLF)	
	B3 Bringing More Diverse History to Your Connecticut Classrooms through the Witness Stones Project (D)	
	B4 Managing Employees Following the Great Resignation (D, LLF, NAB)	
	B5 Moving Curriculum Forward for ALL Children with CSDE K-12 Universal Curricula Design Principles (D, LLF, NAB)	
	B6 Capturing Hearts and Minds through Innovative School Communications (APE, NAB)	
2:05 - 4:05 PM Session C Clinics		
	C1 34th Annual Meeting of the Nutmeg Board (APE, D, LLF, NAB)	
	C2 TBA	
3:25 - 5:00 PM Session D Workshops		
	D1 Policy (APE, D, LLF, NAB)	
	D2 Understanding Connecticut's Freedom of Information Act (and New Remote Meetings Provisions) (NAB)	
	D3 Connecticut Alliance Districts Panel Discussion (APE, D, LLF)	
	D4 Navigating Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Challenging Times (D)	
	D5 Modeling Civility in Your School District (APE, D, NAB)	
	D6 A Post-Pandemic World for Schools: How to Leverage All the Resources Your RESC Has to Offer (APE, D, LLF NAB)	
5:00 - 5:45 PM	Reception	Marriott Prefunction Space
5:45 - 8:15 PM	Dinner	Marriott Ballroom
	Election Results President's Remarks Teacher of the Year Evening Program	
8:15 - 11:00 PM	Evening Reception.....	Mystic Ballroom

CABE/CAPSS Convention At A Glance

Public Education: Moving Forward for ALL Children

Saturday, November 19, 2022

- 7:30 - 8:30 AM Registration Begins – Networking and Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 - 9:30 AM General Session Marriott Ballroom
Welcome | Student Performance
- 9:35 - 10:45 AM Student Session
- 9:35 - 10:45 AM **Session E Workshops**
- E1 Collective Bargaining (APE, D, LLF, NAB)
 - E2 Closing the Gap: How Standards-Based Arts Education Promotes Social-Emotional and Academic Learning for All Children (APE, D, LLF)
 - E3 Title IX Rebooted: What the Recent Changes Mean for Addressing Sexual Harassment and Sex Discrimination (D, NAB)
 - E4 Remote Instruction: The State of the State (APE, LLF)
 - E5 Addressing Equity with Trauma Sensitive Schools (D, LLF, NAB)
 - E6 21st Century Libraries: Something to Shh!!!OUT About (APE, D)
- 9:35 - 11:35 AM **Session F Clinics**
- F1 Integrating White Spaces: Building Cultural Competence in Public School Systems (D)
 - F2 TBA
- 10:50- 12:00 PM **Session G Workshops**
- G1 Equity, Safety and Health; A Master Plan for Inclusive and Higher Student Achievement (D)
 - G2 They Said What? Free Speech Rights and Limitations in Public Schools (NAB)
 - G3 It Takes an Ecosystem: Building Public, Non-Profit, and Private Partnerships to Connect Students to a Digital Future (LLF)
 - G4 TBA
- 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Networking and Reception Marriott Ballroom Lobby
- 12:05 - 1:35 PM Luncheon - Student Panel | Adjourn

Workshops

Workshops are a bit longer than Learning Bursts, typically one hour and twenty minutes to one hour and 35 minutes. These sessions often provide more presenters and allow for more questions and answers.

Clinics

Clinics are two hours in length and allow presenters and participants alike to dig deeper into a subject. While participants will not be experts following a Clinic, you will walk away with a solid foundation in the topic delivered.

**EASY REGISTRATION
PROCESS**

You only need to complete and return the registration form one time.

Follow the four easy steps below to register:

1. Review the Conference at a Glance.
2. Complete the registration form, include your workshop choices and any special requirements you may have.
3. Save a copy for your records.
4. Return completed form to C.A.B.E.

Form **MUST** be accompanied by check or purchase order to be processed.

Substitutions are accepted at any time. All substitutions and cancellations **MUST** be in writing.

This form must be received by October 14, 2022 to avoid a late fee.

Online:
www.cabe.org



Mail to:
C.A.B.E./CAPSS
Convention
Registrations
81 Wolcott Hill Rd.
Wethersfield, CT 06109



Fax to: 860-571-7452

Questions: 860-571-7446

2022 C.A.B.E./CAPSS Convention Registration Form

November 18-19, 2022 • Mystic Marriott Hotel, Groton

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School District/Organization _____

Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____

Email _____ Cell Phone _____

Name for Badge _____ Guest Name for Badge _____

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Manager |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Superintendent | <input type="checkbox"/> Presenter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Superintendent | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This is my first C.A.B.E./CAPSS Conference - I would like a Conference mentor | |

REGISTRATION TYPE: CHECK Package, Friday or Saturday and CIRCLE corresponding fee.

	2022/2023 C.A.B.E. Member Districts and CAPSS MEMBERS ONLY		Registration Received on or before 10/14/22		Late/On Site Reg. Received on or after 10/14/22	
	Early Registration Received on or before 8/26/22	Member	Member / Non-Member	Member / Non-Member	Member / Non-Member	Member / Non-Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Package Registration Meals are included in registration fee and are non-refundable.		\$440	\$456	\$722	\$538	\$776
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Only Registration Meals are included in registration fee and are non-refundable.		\$348	\$363	\$602	\$414	\$657
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Only Registration Meals are included in registration fee and are non-refundable.		\$290	\$301	\$553	\$332	\$618

GUEST MEAL(S): Friday Luncheon - \$38 Friday Banquet - \$73 Saturday Luncheon - \$38

Restaurant is responsible for guest fees. (Payment for guest MUST accompany registration form.)

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____



In order to prevent wastage of food, please select all meal functions that you will be attending. (This will NOT change your registration fee.)

- Friday Luncheon** **Friday Banquet** **Saturday Luncheon**

Do you have special dietary needs? If so, explain _____

Payment – If completed registration form is faxed or mailed, there are two easy ways to pay: Check or purchase order. Registration will **NOT** be processed without a P.O. or check.

Check payable to C.A.B.E. enclosed. P.O. # _____

Credit cards can only be accepted online. To register online, please go to www.cabe.org/page.cfm?p=1141

WORKSHOP CHOICES: CIRCLE which workshops you plan to attend:

Friday		Saturday
A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 A7 A8		E1 E2 E3 E4 E5 E6
B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6		F1 F2
C1 C2		G1 G2 G3 G4
D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6		

Substitutions are accepted in writing at any time. Between October 28 and October 31, a \$100 fee will be charged for each cancelled Convention registration because meals have been guaranteed. Beginning November 1 there is **NO REFUND** of the registration fee. No shows will be charged full fee.

BETHEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Briefing Summary

Date of Briefing to the Board: September 15, 2022

Presenter: Suzanne Rodgers, Accounting Manager

Topic: Updating Authorized Signers

Importance of this topic to the Board: Important

Key Points of the Briefing:

Due to the retirement of Theresa Yonsky as the Director of Fiscal Services and the hiring of Jennifer Variale as the Director of Finance and Business Operations the following accounts require board action to update authorized individuals:

- * The CSDE requires that we file an Authorized Signature Change Form whenever either one of the two authorized signers of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs changes.
- * Fidelity Brokerage Services, the banking entity which holds the Hennessey Scholarship accounts, requires a board resolution to add or change authorized individuals.

Action Requested of the Board of Education: Motion needed.

(State the motion if requested)

Recommended Motions:

- 1) Pursuant to the requirement of the CSDE, the Bethel Board of Education hereby revises the authorized signers of the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs as follows: Signature 1: Dr. Christine Carver, Superintendent of Schools and Signature 2: Jennifer Variale, Director of Finance and Business Operations.
- 2) The Bethel Board of Education adopts the attached resolution in regard to Fidelity Business Accounts X57-633062, Bethel Hennessey Students, and X57-633054, Bethel Hennessey Teachers. This resolution appoints Christine Carver, Superintendent of Schools, Jennifer Variale, Director of Finance and Business Operations, and Suzanne Rodgers, Accounting Manager as individuals authorized to act on behalf of the above mentioned accounts.

In regard to Fidelity Business Accounts X57-633062 and X57-633054, the BETHEL CT BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOE) hereby duly adopts the following in regards to the listed individuals:

Christine Carver, Superintendent of Schools
Jennifer Variale, Director of Finance and Business Operations
Suzanne Rodgers, Accounting Manager

RESOLVED:

FIRST: That the individual(s) listed on this form hereby are authorized and empowered, for and on behalf of this Business (herein called the "Business"), to establish, maintain, and act on this account (which may be a margin account), and each of them hereby is authorized and empowered for and on behalf of this Business, with Fidelity Brokerage Services LLC and its affiliates (collectively "Fidelity") for the purpose of purchasing, investing in, or otherwise acquiring, selling (including short sales), possessing, transferring, exchanging, or otherwise disposing of, or turning to account of, or realizing upon, and generally dealing in and with any and all forms of securities including, but not by way of limitation, shares, stocks, bonds, debentures, notes, scrip, participation certificates, rights to subscribe, options, warrants, certificates of deposit, mortgages, evidences of indebtedness, commercial paper, certificates of indebtedness and certificates of interest of any and every kind and nature whatsoever, secured or unsecured, whether represented by trust, participating and/or other certificates, or otherwise. The fullest authority at all times with respect to any such commitment or with respect to any transaction deemed by any of the said officers and/or agents to be proper in connection therewith is hereby conferred, including authority (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) to give instructions (whether oral, written, electronic, or otherwise) to Fidelity with respect to said transactions; to borrow money and securities and to borrow such money and securities from or through Fidelity, and to secure repayment thereof with the property of the Business; to bind and obligate the Business to and for the carrying out of any contract, arrangement, or transaction that shall be entered into by any such officer and/or agent for and on behalf of the Business with or through Fidelity; to pay by checks and/or drafts drawn upon the funds of the Business such sums as may be necessary in connection with any of the said accounts; to deliver securities and contracts to Fidelity; to deliver securities to and deposit funds with Fidelity; to order the transfer or delivery of securities to any other person whatsoever, and/or to order the transfer of record of any securities, to any name selected by any of the said officers or agents; to affix the corporate seal to any documents or securities to any name selected by any of the said officers or agents; to affix the corporate seal to any documents or agreements, or otherwise; to endorse any securities and/or contracts in order to pass title thereto; to direct the sale or exercise of any rights with respect to any securities; to sign for the Business all releases, powers of attorney, and/or other documents in connection with any such account, and to agree to any terms or conditions to control any such account; to direct Fidelity to surrender any securities to the proper agent or party for the purpose of effecting any exchange or conversion, or for the purpose of deposit with any protective or similar committee, or otherwise; to accept delivery of any securities; to appoint any other person or persons to do any and all things that any of the said officers and/or agents are hereby empowered to do, and generally to do and take all action

necessary in connection with the account, or considered desirable by such officer and/or agent with respect thereto.

SECOND: That Fidelity may deal with any and all of the persons directly or indirectly empowered by the foregoing resolution, as though they were dealing with the Business directly.

THIRD: That the officers of the Business be and hereby are authorized, empowered, and if requested by Fidelity, directed to certify: (a) a true copy of these resolutions; (b) specimen signatures of each and every person by these resolutions empowered; (c) a certificate (which, if required by Fidelity, shall be supported by an opinion of the general counsel of the Business, or other counsel satisfactory to Fidelity) that the Business is duly organized and existing, that its operating documents empower it to transact the business by these resolutions defined, and that no limitation has been imposed upon such powers.

FOURTH: That Fidelity may rely upon any certification given in accordance with these resolutions, as continuing fully effective unless and until Fidelity shall receive due written notice of a change in or the rescission of the authority so evidenced and the dispatch or receipt of any other form of notice shall not constitute a waiver of this provision, nor shall the fact that any person hereby empowered ceases to be an officer of the Business or becomes an officer under some other title in any way affect the powers hereby conferred. The failure to supply any specimen signature shall not invalidate any transaction if the transaction is in accordance with authority actually granted.

FIFTH: That in the event of any change in the office or powers of persons hereby empowered, the officers of the Business shall certify such changes to Fidelity in writing in the manner herein above provided, which notification, when received, shall be adequate both to terminate the powers of the persons theretofore authorized, and to empower the persons thereby substituted.

SIXTH: That the foregoing resolutions and the certificates actually furnished to Fidelity by the Business pursuant thereto be and hereby are made irrevocable until written notice of the revocation thereof shall have been received by Fidelity.

SEVENTH: That the Business and its officers indemnify and hold Fidelity harmless from any claim, loss, expense, or other liability for effecting any transactions and acting upon any instructions given by the officers of the Business.

Adopted this 15th day of September 2022

By: _____
Chairman, Bethel Board of Education