

# Student Achievement Committee Meeting

Wednesday, December 21, 2022 6:30 PM

BOE - Room 36 and via Zoom Meeting Platform, 129 Church Street, Bristol, CT 06010

## I. Call to order

II. Decision: Approval of Minutes from September 21, 2022 meeting and September 26, 2022 special meeting.

## III.

### 1. Public Comment

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IV. Decision: Student Achievement Committee Meeting Dates for 2023

V. Decision: K-5 Physical Education and health curriculum, First Reading, presented by Mrs. Hale

VI. Information: Cartooning and Animation preview, presented by Mrs. Fortin

VII. Information: Advanced Personal Finance curriculum preview, presented by Dr. Rechenberg

VIII. Information: Bristol Public Schools Career Pathways, presented by Dr. Rechenberg

IX. Information: REACH Academy Charter School Application

X. Adjournment



Student Achievement Committee  
September 26, 2022  
MINUTES - DRAFT

Present: Catherine Carbone, Catherine Cassin, Chris Cassin, Michael Dietter, Jennifer Dube, Carly Fortin, Kristen Giantonio, Sara Hale, Todd Sturgeon, Dante Tagariello, Leszek Ward, Christopher Wilson

Call to Order:

Commissioner Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Public Comment:

Mr. Jason Harmon of 583 East Road, Ms. Kristen Hasler and Mr. Peyton Hasler of 70 Beechwood Lane, Mr. Chris Rutsch of 78 Vernon Street, Mr. Chris Kuczenski of 601 Pine Street, Mr. Paul Pinette of 60 Carmelo Road, Mr. Brian Smith of 14 Wilderness Way, and Mr. Sean Howley and Ms. Victoria Howley of 48 Carolina Road addressed the committee members in regards to the potential high school co-op hockey team.

Decision: Participation in High School Hockey Cooperative Team:

Mrs. Carly Fortin, Director of the Office of Teaching and Learning, announced that Rocky Hill has invited Bristol Public Schools to join them in a high school cooperative hockey team. Mr. Chris Cassin, Supervisor of the Athletic/Health and Wellness Office, presented the hockey cooperative team rules and specifics for the program. These regulations included that each school cannot exceed fifteen participants and that the school has a "no cut" policy. *Questions and discussion followed.*

*On a motion made by Commissioner Giantonio and seconded by Commissioner Sturgeon, the student achievement committee **VOTED TO APPROVE the participation in the High School Hockey Cooperative Team.***

Following a roll call vote, the motion **PASSED** with two Commissioners (Giantonio and Sturgeon) in favor of the motion and one Commissioner (Wilson) opposed.

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Sturgeon adjourned the meeting at 7:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

***Katlyne Laprise***

Katlyne Laprise



Student Achievement Committee  
September 21, 2022  
MINUTES - DRAFT

Present: Christina Anderson, Ken Bagley, Catherine Carbone, Chris Cassin, Kim Culkin, Michael Dietter, Jennifer Dube, Carly Fortin, Kristen Giantonio, Stephanie Jacques, Jaime Rechenberg, Azra Redzic, Todd Sturgeon, Dante Tagariello, Melanie Vetrano, Leszek Ward, Christopher Wilson

Call to Order:

Commissioner Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Public Comment:

Mr. Jason Harmon of 583 East Road, Bristol, CT 06010, Mr. Chris Rutsch of 78 Vernon Street, Bristol CT 06010, and Ms. Kristen Hasler of 70 Beechwood Lane, Bristol CT 06010 addressed the committee members in regards to the High School Hockey Cooperative Team.

Approval of Minutes from July 20, 2022:

*On a motion made by Commissioner Giantonio and seconded by Commissioner Wilson, it was unanimously;*

**VOTED: To approve the Minutes of July 20, 2022.**

Decision: Participation in High School Hockey Cooperative Team:

Mr. Cassin presented the opportunity for participation in a cooperative hockey team hosted by Rocky Hill. Mr. Cassin reviewed the regulations that pertain to cooperative athletic team. He also reviewed the specific details regarding Bristol's participation including the obligations to family including transportation and fees. Discussion followed in response to questions from the committee.

*On a motion made by Commissioner Sturgeon and seconded by Commissioner Giantonio, it was unanimously*

**VOTED: to NOT approve the motion to continue the pursuit of participation in a cooperative hockey team.**

Information: Update on legislation regarding Approved Connecticut Prekindergarten (PreK) to Grade Three Reading Curricula and/or Programs:

Carly Fortin, Director of Teaching and Learning and Azra Redzic, Supervisor of Elementary Humanities, presented information on updates for PreK to Grade Three curriculum and programs. For the school year commencing July 1, 2023, and each school year thereafter, each local and regional board of education shall implement a reading curriculum or program for grades Prek to three. The CSDE anticipates sharing the approved list of Connecticut curricula and programs by September 30, 2022. More information will be brought forward to the Student Achievement Committee as it is published by the CSDE.

Information: 2022 Smarter Balanced Achievement and Growth Data Review:

Ms. Carly Fortin presented Bristol students grew more than ever, surpassing the state averages for growth and average percent target achieved. Learning loss as measured by the performance indices for literacy and math in 2022 as compared to 2019 is less for Bristol students than all of Bristol's surrounding communities. Bristol's strategic efforts included: implementing a well-defined curriculum, using instruction that is focused on grade-level learning, not remediation, enacting continuous improvement through coaching and feedback, and applying grant funds to enrich learning experiences.

Information: Enrollment in Black/ Latino Studies:

Ms. Carly Fortin presented that 36 students from Bristol Central High School and 27 students from Bristol Eastern High School are enrolled in the new course, Black and Latino Studies.

Information: Chemistry Review of Performance:

Ms. Carly Fortin and Dr. Jaime Rechenberg, Supervisor of Secondary STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) presented that the performance of students in Academic Chemistry has declined, which is likely



impacted by the increase in enrollment and pandemic related factors. To address these performance issues, Bristol Eastern High School and Bristol Central High School teachers will be planning and collaborating together, during Wednesday early release time to help the students get a better understanding of each chemistry unit. There is a noted difference in students' performance on midterm and final examinations when comparing high school performance. This difference indicated a pedagogical issue that the administration is addressing through supervision, evaluation, increased professional learning and collaboration among teachers of the subject.

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Sturgeon adjourned the meeting at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

***Carly Fortin***

Carly Fortin



## PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are invited to comment to the Board on any topic related to school business.

Items requiring consideration by the Board must be approved as an agenda item by a 2/3ds vote of the Board members present. Such items may be referred for further study and not necessarily acted upon at this meeting.

Anyone wishing to address the Board should adhere to the following procedures:

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### **Before a Remote Meeting**

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#### **During a Remote Meeting**

1. Everyone is requested to address the Chair for recognition.
2. Each speaker must state his/her name and address.
3. All speakers must observe rules of common etiquette. Personalities are not to be injected. Anyone violating this rule will be denied the floor. Unless waived by the Chairperson or a majority of the Board,
4. Each speaker shall limit his/her remarks to three (3) minutes.
5. A speaker will not be recognized for a second time on the same topic.
6. Each speaker must concern himself/herself with the topic under discussion. Anyone digressing from the topic will be ruled out of order.
7. Written statements and materials may be made available, in advance of comments, for distribution to Board members.
8. Speakers shall state their positions on the subject being discussed.
9. Board members will not respond directly to comments during the Board meeting. The Superintendent will direct the question to the appropriate staff member for follow-up.





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Yours very truly,

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(Signature) **Chairman**

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(Signature) **Secretary**

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(Date)



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(Signature) **Secretary**

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