



**Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024**

**Time: 7:00 pm**

**Place: Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School-Media Center**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

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**Approved minutes 11/12/2024**

**1 mins. A. Call of Quorum and Pledge of Allegiance**

**Attendance:** Christine Winton, Jamie Kleinman, Laurie Marquis, Jon Smedley, Matthew Pritchard, Andrew Bessette (virtual)

**Administrators:** Dr. Christopher Bitgood, Superintendent, Courtney Langlois, Director of Pupil Services, Garette Dukette, Principal, Sarah Cary Principal

Laurie Marquis called the meeting to order at 7:08PM.

**20 mins. B. Special Purpose / Recognition**  
none

**3 mins/prs C. Public Comments**

*Any citizen may appear before the Board to express his/her opinion concerning the educational program of the district. The Board directs that any discussion of specific Board employees will not be allowed at meetings and should be addressed to that employee's immediate supervisor. The Board agenda provides opportunities for comments and questions from persons attending the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board should give their names and addresses. Board members may respond to citizen comment, but the Chairperson may, at his/her discretion, establish any reasonable time limits for comments and responses.*

**40 mins. D. Presentations and Actions**

1. Superintendent's Written and Oral Reports
  - a. District Newsletter -Presented by Timothy Jordan -Teacher BMS, and Claudia Danna, Curriculum Consultant
  - b. Field Trip Proposal

**Motion:** To approve the 8th grade field trip in May to Washington DC.

**By:** Jon Smedley

**Second:** Matthew Pritchard

**All in favor.**

c. General Updates

- d. Administrators' Reports
- e. Enrollment
- f. October Financial Report
- g. Personnel Report

Resignation

Glenn Blonshine -6 Grade LA teacher (retiring June 30,2025)

New Hire 2024-2025

Jamie Lane - paraeducator -Norwich Technical Academy/CES

Savannah Giordano-Dzialo - Bus driver

Position Change 2024-2025

None

- h. Teacher Negotiations Update
- i. Tuition Rate (Possible Action)

**Motion:** To approve the Canterbury Public School District 2024-2025 tuition rates as presented.

**By:** Christine Winton

**Second:** Jon Smedley

**All in favor.**

- 2. Financial Update

**10 mins.**

**E. Committee Reports**

- 1. Policy Committee (Schedule next meeting in October)
- 2. Facilities Committee Update
- 3. Finance Committee
- 4. Liaison Reports
  - a. EASTCONN
  - b. Woodstock Board of Trustees
  - c. CAFE
  - d. Parent Teacher Organization
  - e. Special Education Advisory Council

**0 mins.**

**F. Correspondence**

- 1. None

**5 mins.**

**G. Consent Agenda**

- 1. BOE Meeting Minutes (Draft) September 10, 2024
- 2. Policy Committee Minutes (Draft) September 30, 2024

**Motion:** To approve the consent agenda with technical edits.

**By:** Christine Winton

**Second:** Jon Smedley

**All in favor. Laurie Marquis Abstained.**

**1 min**

**I. Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn at 8:06PM

**By:** Laurie Marquis

**Second:** Jon Smedley

**All in favor. Motion Passes.**

*Respectfully submitted by: Jamie Kleinman, Secretary*

**CPS Mission Statement:**

In collaboration with our community, the Canterbury Public Schools will develop, foster, and cultivate all students to their highest potential, through rigorous academics within a safe, nurturing, and respectful environment.