

**CHAPLIN, HAMPTON, SCOTLAND AND  
REGIONAL DISTRICT ELEVEN  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CHAPLIN, CONNECTICUT 06235**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022, 7:00 PM**

**PARISH HILL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** – Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM.
  - a. Present were Chairman Dennis LaBelle, Vice Chair Stacy Foster, Superintendent Kenneth Henrici, Joan Fox, Michael Smardon, Therese Smith, Kathy Freed, Sally Ireland, Cassidy Martin, and Susan Lovegreen.
  - b. Cassidy Martin made motion to add to the agenda “To Discuss Computer Science Curriculum” as “7.C.” under Old Business/New Business (therefore moving items C to D, and D to E). Kathy Freed seconded the motion. *Motion passed unanimously.*
- 2. Audience for Citizens** – None.
- 3. Written Communications to the Board**
  - a. Dennis LaBelle stated an email was received regarding the Electric Bus Program. Joan Fox stated Hampton is on a waitlist to receive two electric school busses.
  - b. Kenneth Henrici stated an email was also received from Scotland’s First Selectman Gary Greenberg, who will address the Board later in the meeting.
- 4. Approval of September 20, 2022, and October 18, 2022, Minutes**
  - a. Kathy Freed made motion to approve the September minutes / Foster moved / Sally Ireland seconded. Michael Smardon abstained. *Motion passed.*
  - b. Kathy Freed made motion to approve October minutes / Michel Smardon seconded. Joan Fox, Sally Ireland, and Stacy Foster abstained. *Motion passed.*
- 5. Approval of Financial Statements** – September 2022 and October 2022
  - a. Dennis LaBelle made motion to approve the September Financial Statements / Stacy Foster moved / Kathy Freed seconded. *Motion unanimously passed.*
  - b. Dennis LaBelle made motion to approve the October 2022 Financial Statements / Stacy Foster moved / Kathy Freed seconded. Sally Ireland abstained. *Motion passed.*

## **6. Administrative Reports/Administrative Requests for Board Action**

- a. Principal** – Kenneth Henrici read Principal Brian Tedeschi’s report (as he could not attend) which discussed the latest Professional Development Day, Veteran’s Day, The Helping Hands Food Drive, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Spirit Week, Homecoming weekend, International Save a Life Tour, Middle School and High School Fall Sports Awards Ceremony, and an upcoming assembly for juniors and seniors to meet with the recent graduates from the class of 2022 for a panel discussion regarding their first year of college experiences.
- b. Superintendent** – Kenneth Henrici gave his report which discussed Veteran’s Day Lunch, staffing update, new Executive Assistant Sarai Ortiz, Fall sports teams, and Homecoming.

## **7. Old Business/New Business**

- a. Report by PHACT/PTSA** – Kathy Freed stated the Trunk or Treat was a huge success and is hoping for nine more cars next year which would equal a total of thirty cars. Kody’s Comedy Night will be held at the Willimantic Elks Club on March 11, 2023, at 6 o’clock.
  - i. Heather Shedd presented to the Board the events that will take place during Homecoming weekend and stated approximately eighty-five students will be attending.
- b. Report on Science Curriculum – Nicole Lighter, Heather Shedd** – Heather Shedd read report for Lighter (as she could not attend) which discussed what students are learning in their classes, how they are improving, and which teachers are teaching which Science courses.
- c. Discuss Computer Science Curriculum** – Cassidy Martin stated she thinks this curriculum should be added to Parish Hill and possibly integrated into each class, as there are no schools in this part of the State that focus on Computer Science. Cassidy Martin also stated that if this were to happen, it could be opened for other students from different schools who could be bussed to Parish Hill in order to attend.

- d. **Report by Scotland First Selectman Gary Greenberg** – Gary Greenberg asked the Board if the Enumeration for the school is getting done, as the Town of Scotland is unaware of how many Scotland residents who go to Parish Hill actually reside in Scotland.
  - i. Dennis LaBelle stated further research into this will occur.
- e. **Forecast on 22-23 Budget – Jobina Miller** – Jobina Miller stated everything is on budget and the only current concern is the Special Education Department.

**8. Committee Reports/Requests for Board Action**

- a. **Fiscal & Plant** – Met on November 15, 2022. Approved minutes, financial statements, and discussed problems with engineering and mechanicals.
- b. **Educational and Board Policies** – Not met.
- c. **Central Office** – Not met. Kenneth Henrici scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 5:30 PM.
- d. **Technology/Website** – Not met.
- e. **Personnel and Supervision** – Not met.
- f. **Newsletter** – Not met. Kenneth Henrici stated next meeting is on Thursday, November 17, 2022.
- g. **CABE/EASTCONN** – Kathy Freed stated next meeting is on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, and she will try to attend.

**9. Second Audience for Citizens** – None.

**10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- a. Budget Forecast, Enumeration update, CAPPS Student Leader Awards, update on Computer Science Program

**11. Adjournment**

- a. Cassidy Martin made motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM / Kathy Freed seconded.  
*Motion unanimously passed. Adjourned at 8:25 PM.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Haddad

11/17/22