

Windsor Central Unified Union School District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
January 3, 2022, 6:30 p.m., WCSU Conference Room
[Virtual Zoom meeting recording](#)

Board Members Present:

Barnard:

Bryce Sammel (virtual)
Kelly Welsh (virtual)

Bridgewater:

Matthew Hough (virtual)
Sarah Adams (virtual)

Killington:

Jim Haff (physical)
Gwen Hagenbarth (virtual)

Plymouth:

Jay Moore (virtual)

Pomfret:

Bob Crean (virtual)
Bill Overbay (virtual)

Reading:

Anna Sessa (virtual)
Adam Ameele (virtual)

Woodstock:

Keri Bristow (virtual)
Ben Ford (virtual)
Sam DiNatale (virtual)
Todd Ulman (virtual)
Matt Stout (virtual)

Superintendent: Sherry Sousa (physical)

Director of Student Support Services: Gina Rocque (virtual)

Director of Instructional Technology: Raphael Adamek (virtual)

Director of Finance and Operations: Jim Fenn (physical)

District Curriculum Coordinator: Jennifer Stainton (virtual)

District Buildings & Grounds Manager: Joe Rigoli (physical)

Director of Human Resources: Linda Loprete (virtual)

Principals/ Administration: Garon Smail (virtual)

District Covid Nurse Coordinator: Katie Burke (virtual)

Student Representatives: Genevieve Morel (virtual)

Pittsfield School Board Rep: Ray Rice (virtual)

Presentors: Kat Robbins (virtual), Janis Boulbol (virtual)

Recording Secretary: Rayna Bishop (virtual)

1. Bryce Sammel called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Quorum noted.
2. Amendments to the Agenda: none.
3. Public Comment: Public comment was heard in support of the rewritten Naming policy.
4. Reports: (Written reports found in the board book.) Reports were provided from the Superintendent; Dir. Of Instr. Technology; Dir. Of Curr., Instr., and Assess.; Dir. Of Student Supp. Serv.; Dir. of Fin. and Oper.; and the student rep.
5. Time Scheduled Discussion:
 - [CRAFT Presentation](#)- Kat Robbins and Janis Boulbol delivered a presentation on CRAFT- Community and Climate Resilience through Agriculture, Forestry, and Technology.
 - WUHSMS Principal Update- Principal Garon Smail delivered an update on student behavior and student well-being as we navigate the third pandemic affected school year, and what the staff and district can do to support them going forward and what responses are already in place.
 - [FY23 Proposed Budget](#)- Ben Ford and Jim Fenn delivered a budget presentation. Motion to accept all positions into budget proposal. Moved: Todd Ulman. Seconded: Jim Haff. Bryce Sammel discussed the budget, and that by approving the budget it incorporates acceptance of the proposed

positions. Motion amended to approve the budget of \$24,314,318. Amended by Todd Ulman, seconded by Jim Haff.

Yays: Jim Haff, Ben Ford, Matt Stout, Todd Ulman, Bob Crean, Jay Moore, Kelly Welsh, Adam Ameenle, Keri Bristow, Anna Sessa

Nays: Gwen Hagenbarth, Bill Overbay

Abstained/no vote: Sarah Adams, Matthew Hough

Motion for the language for the formal warning. Moved: Ben Ford; seconded: Matt Stout.

“Shall the voters of the Windsor Central Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend Twenty-Four Million Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$24,314,318), which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$19,567 per equalized pupil. This projected spending is \$1,558,680 or 6.85% higher than spending for the current year.”

6. Committees:

- Policy- Motion to adopt the Special Education policy. Moved: Jim Haff; seconded: Todd Ulman. All in favor.

Motion to adopt the Naming policy. Moved: Jim Haff; seconded: Todd Ulman. All in favor.

Motion to adopt the Fundraising policy. Moved: Jim Haff; seconded: Todd Ulman. All in favor.

- Buildings & Grounds- Joe Rigoli delivered an update on the work being done by JCI.

7. Consent Agenda- Motion to approve the consent agenda. Moved: Ben Ford; seconded: Jim Haff. All in favor.

8. Public comment: None.

9. Reflection.

10. Motion to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Moved: Jim Haff; seconded: Todd Ulman. All in favor.