

Windsor Central Unified Union School District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
September 7, 2021, 6:30 p.m., WCSU Conference Room
[Virtual Zoom meeting recording](#)

Board Members Present:

Barnard:

Bryce Sammel (virtual)
Kelly Welch (virtual)

Bridgewater:

Matthew Hough (physical)
Sarah Adams (virtual)

Killington:

Gwen Hagenbarth (virtual)
Jim Haff (physical)

Plymouth:

Jay Moore (virtual)
Josh Linton (virtual)

Pittsfield:

Ray Rice (virtual)

Pomfret:

Bob Crean (virtual)
Bill Overbay (virtual)

Reading:

Anna Sessa (virtual)
Adam Ameele (virtual)

Woodstock:

Keri Bristow (physical)
Louis Piconi (virtual)
Clare Drebitko (virtual)
Ben Ford (virtual)
Todd Ulman (virtual)

Superintendent: Sherry Sousa (physical)

Director of Student Support Services:

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: Hannah Leland, Mary Guggenberger, Garon Smail, Maggie Mills, John Hansen

Student Representatives: Genevieve Morel (virtual)

Recording Secretary: Rayna Bishop (virtual)

Media: Curt Peterson- The Mountain Times (virtual), Jim Kelly (virtual)

1. Bryce Sammel called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
2. Amendments to the Agenda: none. Motion to approve the agenda. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Keri Bristow. All in favor. The board introduced and welcomed their newest member, Todd Ulman.
3. Public Comment: none.
4. Superintendent/Directors/Student Reports: Superintendent Sousa opened with talking about her report, including the reopening of the schools, the results of a faculty and staff vaccine survey, and the preventative measures being taken to keep COVID out of our schools. She thanked B&G Director Joe Rigoli and his team for the significant work they have put in over the summer to get our schools ready for the new year. Director of IT Raph Adamek discussed opening enrollment and why the reason for not having accurate numbers at this time to present to the board. He then discussed where the district is with technology equipment.
CIA Director Jennifer Stainton discussed the website updates for faculty and staff access to professional development documents, and shared the district's investment into teachers' professional growth.

Student representative Genevieve Morel reports a smooth start to the school year, and that the students are looking forward to seeing how the new schedule works out. She hopes to find a couple more students who are interested in attending board meetings and interacting with the board.

5. Time Scheduled Appointments:
 - a. [Board Work Plan](#):
Shared the Work Plan that maps out which goals of the Strategic Plan will be the focus for the year.
 - b. Johnson Controls Project:
Motion by Keri Bristow: I move that the board approve the Building & Energy project as recommended by the Buildings & Grounds Committee referred to as the “Johnson Controls energy project Phase 1” in the amount of \$3,177,301 and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and sign all documents as required complete this process. Seconded by Jim Haff. All in favor.
 - c. Signature PFC Lease:
Motion by Keri Bristow: I move that the board approve the resolution to enter into a fifteen year lease purchase agreement with Signature Public Funding Corp in the amount of \$3,177,301 and authorize the Director of Finance & Operations to negotiate and sign all documents as required to complete this process. Seconded by Jim Haff. All in favor.
6. Committee Updates: Most of the committees have not met. Jim Haff discussed projects that B&G has been working on other than the JCI project.
7. Consent Agenda: Motion by Keri Bristow to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Jim Haff. All in favor.
8. Public comment: none
9. Reflection: all felt that this meeting was very efficient.
10. Motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Moved: Anna Sessa. Seconded: Bill Overbay. All in favor.