

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
NEWINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NEWINGTON, CT 06111**

Newington Town Hall
Helen W. Nelson Meeting Room
Wednesday, June 11, 2018
7:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING

PRESENT: Chairperson Joshua C. Shulman, Michael Branda,
Dr. Sharon Braverman, Danielle Drozd, Emily Guion,
Steven Silvia, Cindy Stamm, Robert Tofeldt, Paul Vessella

ADMINISTRATION: Dr. William Collins, Pamela Muraca, Lou Jachimowicz,
Stephen Foresi

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Joshua Shulman called the Special Meeting of the Newington Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

B. Public Participation on Any Matter Related to Board Responsibilities

C. New Business

1. Action – Education Specifications Transition Academy and BOE Offices

MOTION: Dr. Sharon Braverman moved the Newington Board of Education approve the Education Specifications for the Transition Academy, Helen Nelson Meeting Room, and Board of Education Central Offices at Newington Town Hall. Emily Guion seconded. The motion passed 8-1.

MOTION: Emily Guion moved the Newington Board of Education amend the Education Specifications to include the temporary trailer for the Transition Academy. Dr. Sharon Braverman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Board member Steven Silvia arrived at the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

2. Action – Policy #3515 – Media Protection Policy

MOTION: Michael Branda moved the Newington Board of Education approve Policy #3515 – Media Protection as recommended. Emily Guion seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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D. Public Participation on Any Matter Related to Board Responsibilities

E. Remarks by Board Members

F. Adjournment

MOTION: Danielle Drozd moved to adjourn. Emily Guion seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Sharon Braverman, Secretary

Debra O. Craig, Board Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Rodney Mortensen
53 Meadowview Court

Mr. Mortensen is speaking as a knowledgeable resident not as a representative of the Town Hall Building Committee. He was upset with Friday's Town Crier article regarding the new town hall building project. He is embarrassed for the town. Mr. Mortensen feels the project has been negative since the beginning, and he would like to see that turned around. He wants everyone including building committee, Board of Education, and Town Council to work together to get the job done.

Rose Lyons (via Phone)
46 Elton Drive

Amen, Amen, Amen. Mrs. Lyons has been watching the building committee meeting for 8 years. She whole heartily agrees with Mr. Mortensen.

Kathy Weaver
494 Main Street

Mrs. Weaver, mother of a sophomore Newington High School student, reached out to the Board regarding her daughter's distress in not getting into an AP science class next year. While the high school was totally supportive of the issue, she wanted to bring the issue to the Board's attention. She feels there are not enough AP slots.