

Minutes Canaan Board of Education Regular Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2025 @ 5:00 PM

In Person in the LHK Library

In attendance: Chair Patricia Mechare, Vice Chair Adam Sher, Member Maria Bulson, Member Emily Peterson (virtual). **A quorum is present.** Absent/Excused: Treasurer Theresa Graney. **Also in attendance:** Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley, Assistant Superintendent Jeanine Rose, Lee H. Kellogg Principal Stacey Calo, Executive Secretary/Secretary to the BOE Laurie Wadsworth, Literacy Specialist Jen Calhoun and Math Educator Amanda Spelbos . Calhoun and Spelbos departed at 5:30 pm.

- I. Call to Order 5:04 PM.
- II. Approval of Agenda MSP MBulson, ASher, unanimously approved.
- III. Approval of [06.17.2025 DRAFT Special Meeting Minutes Canaan BOE](#) MSP MBulson, ASher, unanimously approved.
- IV. Communications
 - A. Public Comment - n/a
 - B. Written: FVSA [Building Request](#) BINGO Friday Nov. 14, 2025 MSP for Calo to approve ASher, MBulson, unanimously approved.
 - C. [All Star Bus Route Drivers](#) MSP MBulson, ASher, unanimously approved.
- V. Old Business - n/a
- VI. New Business
 - A. New Hires
 1. Ivelisse Hernandez Spanish .5
 2. Krista Barger Paraeducator 1.0
 - B. [Nature's Classroom Grades 6th & 7th](#) (LHK Christine Dascanio & Justin Quader chaperones) MSP to approve out of state trip ASher, EPeterson, unanimously approved.
 - C. [Close Up Contract for Washington, DC 8th Grade Trip](#) (102) Region One 8th graders participating. MSP to approve out of state trip MBulson, ASher, unanimously approved.
 - D. [EdAdvance Social Worker Position](#) Motion for The Canaan Board of Education to allocate \$16,215 to fund the .5 social work position from January 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026 by MBulson, EPeterson, unanimously approved.
 - E. Action Item:
 1. Policies - [0050](#), [0100](#), [0200](#), [0521](#), [0521R](#), [0521.2](#), [0524](#), [0524R](#), [1110.1](#), [1112.5](#), [1120](#), [1250](#), [1312](#), [1322](#), [1324](#), [1325](#), [1330](#), [1331](#), [1411](#), [1441R](#), [1700](#)
 - a) Motion: To add Canaan School District as a “Subscribing District” to the policies listed above: MSP ASher, EPeterson, PMechare voted Yea. MBulson voted Nay. Motion passed.
 - F. Discussion LHK Lunch Program Update and [legacy Milk Fund](#) (National Iron Bank). Motion to use the milk fund to pay for 2025-2026 lunch debts and then to close the account. MSP MBulson, EPeterson, unanimously approved.

VII. Financial Reports

- A. [2024-2025 Final Report Expended Budget vs. Actual](#) MSP to move \$18,066.61 to our Non-Lapsing 2% fund following a successful King and King audit. MSP MBulson, ASher, unanimously approved.
- B. [Check Register](#) -July, August - MSP to receive report ASher, MBulson, unanimous.
- C. Cash Report - [July, August- Expenditures](#) MSP to receive report ASher, MBulson, unanimous

VIII. Adjournment 7:18 MSP ASher, MBulson, unanimously

Respectfully submitted on 09.03.2025 by

Laurie W. Wadsworth

LHK Executive Secretary/Secretary to the BOE