



**MINUTES
JOINT MEETING OF
THE THOMASTON BOARD OF FINANCE
AND
THE THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL ONLY**

This meeting can be viewed live/recorded on the [Board of Education YouTube Channel](#).

([Bylaws of the Board of Education 9322 – Public and Executive Sessions](#) and [Bylaws of the Board of Education 9326.1 – Taping/Recording Board Meetings](#))

Board of Finance Members:

Rich Sileo, Chairman
Michael Madow, Vice-Chairman

Luke Freimuth
George Seabourne

Adam Silverman
Stephen Turner

Board of Education Members:

Roxy Fainer, Chairperson
Beth Campbell
Sarah Ethier
Frank Treglia

Matthew VanOrmer, Vice Chairperson
Francine Coss, Superintendent
Wil Hungerford, Student Representative
Lucas Koval, Student Representative
Tyler Veronesi, Student Representative

Tanya Galpin, Secretary
Steven Carr, Treasurer
Anthony Kepler
Nathan Vieira

1. **Establishment of a Quorum for the Board of Finance and Establishment of a Quorum for the Board of Education**
([Bylaws of the Board of Education 9325.1 – Quorum](#))
 - 1.1. Board of Finance Members in Attendance: **Chairman Richard Sileo, Vice-Chairman Michael Madow, George Seabourne, Luke Freimuth, Adam Silverman**
 - 1.2. Board of Finance Member Absent: **Stephen Turner**
 - 1.3. Board of Education Members in Attendance: **Chairperson Roxy Fainer, Vice-Chairperson Matthew VanOrmer, Treasurer Steven Carr, Secretary Tanya Galpin, Beth Campbell, Anthony Kepler, Superintendent Francine Coss**
 - 1.4. Board of Education Members Absent: **Sarah Ethier, Frank Treglia, Nathan Vieira**
 - 1.5. Student Representatives Absent: **Wil Hungerford, Lucas Koval, Tyler Veronesi** (the student representatives were not required to attend the meeting)
 - 1.6. Others in Attendance: Tracy Decker, Michelina Stanley
2. **Call to Order Jointly by Board of Finance and the Board of Education**
 - 2.1. Board of Finance **Chairperson Richard Sileo** called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.
 - 2.2. Board of Education **Chairperson Roxy Fainer** called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. [**Review Request for Proposal \(RFP\) – Feasibility Study**](#)
5. **Vendor Presentations/Updated Proposals**
 - 5.1. SLAM
 - 5.1.1. [Bid](#)
 - 5.1.2. [Presentation from July 1, 2025 Special Joint Meeting – BOF and BOE](#)
 - 5.1.3. [Revised Proposal – July 11, 2025](#)
 - 5.2. DRA
 - 5.2.1. [Bid](#)
 - 5.2.2. [Presentation from July 1, 2025 Special Joint Meeting – BOF and BOE](#)
 - 5.2.3. [Presentation from July 9, 2025 Virtual Meeting](#)
 - 5.2.4. [Revised Proposal – July 9, 2025](#)
6. **Joint Board of Finance Members and Board of Education Members Discussion regarding vendor selection for the Request for Proposal (RFP) – Feasibility Study**

Chairman Richard Sileo proposed to accept a motion to select DRA as the vendor for our feasibility study at a rate not to exceed \$111,000.

George Seabourne moved and **Michael Madow** seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0-0

Chairperson Roxy Fainer asked for approval of DRA as the firm to facilitate the feasibility study for Thomaston Public Schools in an amount not to exceed \$111,000.

Beth Campbell moved and **Matthew VanOrmer** seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0-0

Chairman Riched Sileo proposed a motion that RESOLVED, that the Board of Finance recommends that the Town of Thomaston appropriate an amount not to exceed \$111,000 from the Town's Undesignated Fund Balance to hire DRA to perform a feasibility study of the facility usage and regionalization potentials to assess and provide recommendations on the educational and operational efficiency of Thomaston Public Schools, and to authorize the First Selectman to take all actions and execute all documents necessary or convenient for said purpose.

George Seabourne moved and **Michael Madow** seconded.

[Discussion Link](#)

Motion carried: 5-0-0

7. Adjournment

Board of Finance Members **George Seabourne** motioned and **Luke Freimuth** seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried : 5-0-0

Board of Education Members **Beth Campbell** motioned and **Steven Carr** seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried: 5-0-0

Chairman Richard Sileo and Chairperson Roxy Fainer adjourned the meeting at 6:26p.m.