

SPECIAL BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: December 6, 2023 **LOCATION:** Board of Education Central Office
Conference Room

SUBJECT: Board of Education Meeting 185 Damascus Road, Branford, CT 06405

ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Peter Berdon, Chair	Board of Education
Y	Ellen Michaels, Vice-Chair	Board of Education
Y	Meaghan DeLucia, Secretary	Board of Education
Y	Judith Barron	Board of Education
Y	Adam Greenberg	Board of Education
Y	Marie McNamara	Board of Education
Y	Ram Shrestha	Board of Education
Y	Shawn Tiernan	Board of Education

Others present:

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL TO ORDER

- 01** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by BOE Chair, Peter Berdon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gregg Jerolman, Branford resident, spoke about losing a lot of good people on the Board, the interviewing process and different variables taking place, not involving partitent politics, Cristi Cantu's re-appointment, preferred characteristics that bring more value, an individual's substantial experience, Laura Troidle being the default choice and bringing the most value to the Board.

Susan Dahill, RTM member (7th District), spoke in support of BOE candidate Bobby Stuart and her qualifications to be the Boards newest member.

Cristi Cantu, District parent, spoke in support of BOE candidate Laura Troidle and her qualifications to be the Board's newest member.

NEW BOE MEMBER INTERVIEWS/EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 02 Interviews of Potential BOE Candidates and Discussion of Candidates**

MOTION (Michaels/DeLucia) MOTION to adjourn into executive session to interview the potential BOE candidates.

APPROVED UNANIMOUS

Mr. Berdon adjourned the meeting into executive session at 6:13 PM. All BOE members in attendance at this evening's meeting adjourned into executive session.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

- 03** Mr. Berdon the meeting to regular session at 8:40 PM.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO FILL BOARD VACANCY

- 04** MOTION (DeLucia/Michaels & Greenberg) to nominate Laura Troidle to be the Boards newest member to fill the seat vacated by Dr. Tim Raynor.

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DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO FILL BOARD VACANCY (Continued)

05 MOTION (Tiernan/Barron) to nominate John Prins to be the Boards newest member to fill the seat vacated by Dr. Tim Raynor.

06 MOTION (Michaels/Barron) to close nominations.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

07 BOE Member Candidate:	Votes:
John Prins	Barron, Shrestha, Tiernan
Laura Troidle	Michaels, DeLucia, Greenberg, McNamara, Berdon

The motion to appoint Laura Troidle carries.

ADJOURN

08 MOTION (DeLucia/McNamara) to adjourn.

Mr. Berdon adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Meaghan DeLucia
Secretary

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