

**EAST LONGMEADOW SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**



**District Mission**

"Our mission in the East Longmeadow Public Schools is to promote achievement and accountability in all endeavors as we educate today for the challenges of tomorrow"

DATE: August 26, 2019  
TIME: 6:00 P.M.  
WHERE: Superintendent's Conference Room

Meeting called to Order by: Gregory Thompson, Chair  
Chair stated that this meeting is being both audio and video taped, and asked if anyone else was taping the meeting.  
Roll Call: Richard Freccero, Sarah Truoiolo, Gregory Thompson, Gordon Smith, Superintendent of Schools, Antonella Raschilla, Kathy Celetti, Recording Secretary  
Absent: William Fonseca, Pamela Blair, Asst. Superintendent for Business

**Approval of Minutes**

2.1 Approval of the June 17, 2019 executive session meeting minutes.

**Richard moved to approve the June 17, 2019 executive session meeting minutes , Sarah seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (3), those oppose say nay (0), abstention (1), motion carries (3-0-1)**

2.2 Approval of the June 17, 2019 regular session meeting minutes.

**Sarah moved to approve the June 17, 2019 regular session meeting minutes, Richard seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (3), those oppose say nay (0), abstention (1), motion carries (3-0-1)**

2.3 Approval of the July 2, 2019 regular session meeting minutes.

**Antonella moved to approve the July 2, 2019 regular session meeting minutes, Richard seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

**Committee/Sub-committee Communications**

**Richard** - I went to National Night Out, it was well attended. I thought the Convocation was very good, I thought your speech was very good Mr. Thompson.  
**Sarah**- Convocation was very exciting today and the faculty all looked ready. The administrators looked ready to welcome back students and faculty as well. Ashley Pelzek actually did a really nice job as keynote speaker.  
**Gregory**: Yes, very impressive, amazing she accomplished all that.  
**Antonella** - ELEEF is having a 5K run on September 29, and I will be attending my first meeting on September 11.  
**Gregory** - Nice leadership by our Superintendent today at Convocation as well, thank you for that.

**Opportunity for Visitors to Address the Committee:** None

**Superintendent's Report**

5.1.1 The 8<sup>th</sup> grade MIAA waiver for girl's cross-country was discussed.

**Richard motioned to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> grade MIAA waiver for girl 's cross-country, Sarah seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion?**  
**Richard:** It's nice to see the collaboration between the two schools.  
**Gregory:** How do they get to the high school from Birchland Park?  
**Kevin:** They either walk, or parents will drive them. I could speak with transportation, see if they could pick-up the kids at BP and bring to the high school.  
**All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

5.1.2 The LAX Plus rental on Sunday, November 17, 2019 was discussed.

**Sarah motioned to approve the LAX Plus rental on Sunday, November 17, 2019, Richard seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

**Assistant Superintendent of Business Report :**

5.2.1 End-of-year transfer was reviewed.

5.2.2 Birchland Park gift donation from a parent was presented.

**Richard moved to accept the gift donation from a parent for Birchland Park, Sarah seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye ( 4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

5.2.3 Mapleshade gift donation from the Elementary Music Night was presented.

**Richard moved to accept the gift donation from the Elementary Music Night , Sarah seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye ( 4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

5.2.4 High School gift donation from Ohiopyle Prints from royalties on the sales of Spirit Wear was presented.

**Richard moved to accept the gift donation from Ohiopyle Prints, Sarah seconded the motion.**  
**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

5.2.5 Mapleshade gift donation from the Stop and Shop A+ Rewards program was presented.

**Richard moved to accept the gift donation from the Stop and Shop A+ Rewards program, Sarah seconded the motion**

**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

**Old Business :** None

**New Business:**

7.1 ELEEf's request for use of the ELHS turf on Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 8AM for their 5K run was presented.

**Sarah moved to approve the request for the ELHS turf on September 29 for the ELEEf 5K run, waiving the turf rental fee, Richard seconded the motion.**

**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

7.2 East Longmeadow Public Schools Daily Pay Rate for substitute teachers was discussed. Mr. Smith said that his recommendation would be to go from \$75 to \$85.

**Richard moved to increase the teacher sub rate to \$85 for the 2019-2020 school year, Antonella seconded the motion.**

**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose say nay (0), motion carries (4-0)**

**Chair: Thank you Mr. Maki**

**Richard moved to adjourn at 6.25 P.M., Sarah seconded the motion.**

**Chair: Any further discussion? All those in favor say aye (4), those oppose (0), motion carries (4-0)**

Minutes Recorded by: Kathy Celetti

Respectfully submitted by: Superintendent Smith

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Signature