

Board of Education
Darien, Connecticut

TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PLACE:
DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS'
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
2nd FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
6:30 P.M.

1. Call to order
2. Executive session for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privileged information
3. Adjourn to public session

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017

PLACE:
DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS'
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
MEETING ROOM
7:30 P.M.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order..... | Mr. Michael A. Harman | 7:30 p.m. |
| 2. Chairperson's Report..... | Mr. Harman | 7:35 p.m. |
| 3. Public Comment..... | Mr. Harman | |
| 4. Superintendent's Report..... | Dr. Dan Brenner | 7:45 p.m. |
| 5. Approval of Minutes..... | Board of Education | |

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017**

6. Board Committee Reports..... Mr. Harman
7. Presentations/Discussions:
 - a. Update and Discussion... Mrs. Shirley Klein/
on Extended School Year Mrs. Laura Straiton/
Program Mrs. Shira Schwartz/
Dr. Scott McCarthy
 - b. Continued Discussion..... Dr. Brenner/
on Middlesex Program Ms. Shelley Somers
Proposal and Highlights
of 2016-17 School
Year
 - c. Update and Discussion... Dr. Brenner/
on High School Committee
“Commitment”
 - d. First Reading and..... Dr. Brenner
Discussion of
Proposed 2018-19
School Calendar
8. Action Items
 - a. Elementary Parent..... Dr. Susie Da Silva
Conference Days for
2017-18
 - b. Personnel Items..... Ms. Cion
i. Appointments
ii. Resignations/Retirements
iii. Leave of Absence
9. Public Comment..... Mr. Harman
10. Adjournment..... Mr. Harman

9:30 p.m.

APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Tuesday, March 28, 2017

PLACE:
DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
BOARD OF EDUCATION CONFERENCE ROOM
7:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Present	x	x	x	X	x	x	x	x	x
Absent									

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Dr. Brenner, Dr. Da Silva, Ms. Klein, Ms. Cion, and Mr. Feeney.

AUDIENCE: *Approximately 20*

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| 1. Call to Order | Mr. Harman, Chair, at 7:45 p.m. (0:00) |
| 2. Chairperson's Report | Mr. Harman at 7:45 (0:00) |
| 3. Public Comment | Mr. Harman at 7:47 (0:02) |
| 4. Superintendent's Report | Dr. Brenner at 7:47 (0:02) |
| 5. Approval of Minutes (Attachment) | Board of Education at 7:50 (0:05) |

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 15, 2017:

1st Mr. Dineen

2nd Mr. Burke

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	X	x		x	x	
No									
Abstain						x			

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0-1)

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| 6. Board Committee Reports | Mr. Harman at 7:50 (0:05) |
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PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

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| 7. Presentations | |
| a. Connecticut Social Studies Frameworks
an Update (Attachment) | Dr. Da Silva at 7:50 (0:05) |

b. Presentation and Discussion on Darien High Second Semester Enrollment Distribution Report (Attachments)

Dr. Brenner, Ms.Dunn, and Mr. Sullivan at 8:45 (1:00)

c. Tentative recommendation for Establishing 2017 Darien High School Graduation Date (Attachment)

Dr. Brenner at 8:53 (1:08)

d. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Acceptance of Contemplated Gifts from Darien Youth Lacrosse (DYLAX) (Attachments)

Dr. Brenner and Mr. Manfredonia at 8:55 (1:10)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTEMPLATED GIFTS FROM DARIEN YOUTH LACROSSE (DYLAX):

1st Ms. Stein

2nd Mr. Dineen

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)

e. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Acceptance of Contemplated Gifts from the Blue Wave Booster Club (Attachments)

Dr. Brenner and Mr. Manfredonia at 8:56 (1:11)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTEMPLATED GIFT FROM BLUE WAVE BOOSTER CLUB:

1st Ms. Stein

2nd Mr. Ochman

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)

f. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Acceptance of Contemplated Gifts from Boys Lacrosse Fundraiser (Attachments)

Dr. Brenner and Mr. Manfredonia at 8:58 (1:13)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTEMPLATED GIFT FROM BOYS LACROSSE FUNDRAISER:

1st Ms. Ochman

2nd Mr. Burke

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
No									
Abstain						x			

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0-1)

g. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Approval of Middlesex Colebrook Field Trip (Attachment)

Dr. Da Silva and Ms. Somers at 9:14 (1:29)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MIDDLESEX COLEBROOK FIELD TRIP:

1st Ms. Zuro

2nd Mr. Burke

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x		x	X	x
No									
Abstain						x			

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0-1)

h. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Approval of Middlesex Boston Field Trip (Attachment)

Dr. Da Silva and Ms. Somers at 9:23 (1:38)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MIDDLESEX BOSTON FIELD TRIP:

1st Mr. Dineen

2nd Ms. McCammon

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
No									
Abstain						x			

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (8-0-1)

i. Further Discussion and Action on Proposed Board of Education Policies: Repeal of Policy 5140: Continuity of Attendance; Revision of Policy 5130: Student Attendance and Truancy (Attachment)

Ms. Cion at 9:27 (1:42)

MOTION TO REPEAL POLICY 5140 CONTINUITY OF ATTENDANCE:

1st Mr. Burke

2nd Ms. Ochman

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)

MOTION TO REVISE POLICY 5130: STUDENT ATTENDANCE AND TRUANCY:**1st Ms. McCammon****2nd Mr. Burke**

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)**ACTION ITEMS****8. Action Items**

a. Personnel Items

Ms. Cion at 9:32 (1:47)

i. Appointments

ii. Resignations/Retirements
(Attachment)**MOTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL ITEMS AS LISTED ON THE MEMO DATED MARCH 28, 2017:****1st Ms. Zuro****2ND Mr. Dineen**

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)**9. Public Comment**

Mr. Harman at 9:34 (1:49)

10. Adjournment

Mr. Harman at 9:34 (1:49)

MOTION TO ADJOURN:**1st Ms. Ochman****2ND Mr. Burke**

	<i>Burke</i>	<i>Dineen</i>	<i>Hagerty-Ross</i>	<i>Harman</i>	<i>McCammon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Ochman</i>	<i>Stein</i>	<i>Zuro</i>
Yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
No									
Abstain									

RESULT -MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (9-0-0)

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m. (1:49)

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Schneider Zuro
Secretary

PROPOSED

2018-19 Darien School District Calendar

July					
2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	
16	17	18	19	20	
23	24	25	26	27	
30	31				

August (2)				
	1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27*	28*	29	30	31

23, 24 New Staff Orientation
27, 28 Professional Development
29 Teacher Work Day
30 Students Return

September (17)					
3	4	5	6	7	
10	11	12	13	14	
17	18	19	20	21^	
24	25	26	27	28	

3 Labor Day
10 Rosh Hashanah
19 Yom Kippur
21 Professional Learning Communities – High School

October (23)					
1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	
15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24	25	26^	
29	30	31			

26 Professional Learning Communities – High School

November (19)					
			1	2	
5	6*	7	8	9	
12	13	14	15	16^	
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	

6 Professional Development
16 Professional Learning Communities – High School
21 Early Dismissal
22 & 23 Thanksgiving Recess

December (15)					
3	4	5	6	7	
10	11	12	13	14^	
17	18	19	20	21	
24	25	26	27	28	
31					

14 Professional Learning Communities – High School
21 Early Dismissal
24-31 Holiday Recess

January (21)					
	1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11	
14	15	16	17	18	
21	22	23	24	25	
28	29	30	31		

1 Holiday Recess
Professional Development
21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February (14)					
				1^	
4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15*	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28		

1 Professional Learning Communities – High School
15 Professional Development
18 Presidents' Day
19 - 22 February Recess

March (21)					
				1	
4	5	6	7	8^	
11	12	13	14	15	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28	29	

8 Professional Learning Communities – High School

April (17)					
1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	
15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24	25	26^	
29	30				

26 Professional Learning Communities – High School
15-19 Spring Recess
19 Good Friday

May (22)					
	1	2	3		
6	7	8	9	10^	
13	14	15	16	17	
20	21	22	23	24	
27	28	29	30	31	

10 Professional Learning Communities – High School
27 Memorial Day

June (9)					
3	4	5	6	7	
10	11	12	13	14	
17	18	19	20	21	
24	25	26	27	28	

13 School ends for students
14 Teacher Work Day

Note #1: If schools are closed due to weather, additional days will be added to the end of the school year. Regarding High School graduation, by State law, after April 1st, Boards of Education are permitted to establish a graduation date. Therefore, the Board of Education will make that determination at its first regular April, 2019 meeting.

Code: _ Early Dismissal (11/21, 12/21, 6/13); * Staff Development Days; No School for Students; _ Teacher Work Day; ^ Professional Learning Communities for High School Only – (9/21, 10/26, 11/16, 12/14, 2/1, 3/8, 4/26, 5/10)

Elementary Parent Conference Days (to be determined)

C.E.S. Regional Uniform School Calendar 2018-2019

<div> <p>July</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6</p> <p>9 10 11 12 13</p> <p>16 17 18 19 20</p> <p>23 24 25 26 27</p> <p>30 31</p> </div>	<div> <p>August (3)</p> <p>1 2 3</p> <p>6 7 8 9 10</p> <p>13 14 15 16 17</p> <p>20 21 22 23 24</p> <p>27 28 <u>29</u> 30 31</p> <p>28 – Staff only - PD day 29 – Students Return</p> </div>	<div> <p>September (18)</p> <p>3 4 5 6 7</p> <p>10 11 12 13 14</p> <p>17 18 19 20 21</p> <p>24 25 26 27 28</p> <p>3 – Labor Day – closed 10 – Rosh Hashanah - closed 19 – Yom Kippur - closed</p> </div>	<div> <p>October (23)</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5</p> <p>8 9 10 11 12</p> <p>15 16 17 18 19</p> <p>22 23 24 25 26</p> <p>29 30 31</p> </div>
<div> <p>November (20)</p> <p>1 2</p> <p>5 6 7 8 9</p> <p>12 13 14 15 16</p> <p>19 20 21 22 23</p> <p>26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>6 – Staff Only – PD Day 22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday – closed</p> </div>	<div> <p>December (15)</p> <p>3 4 5 6 7</p> <p>10 11 12 13 14</p> <p>17 18 19 20 21</p> <p>24 25 26 27 28 31</p> <p>24-31 – Holiday Recess - closed</p> </div>	<div> <p>January (21)</p> <p>1 2 3 4</p> <p>7 8 9 10 11</p> <p>14 15 16 17 18</p> <p>21 22 23 24 25</p> <p>28 29 30 31</p> <p>1 – Holiday Recess – closed 21 – Martin Luther King Day - closed</p> </div>	<div> <p>February (18)</p> <p>1</p> <p>4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>11 12 13 14 15</p> <p>18 19 20 21 22</p> <p>25 26 27 28</p> <p>15-18 - February break - closed 18 – Presidents' Day - closed</p> </div>
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Note: State law requires that public schools operate 180 days for students.

Key:

Bold = No School

Underline = Uniform Professional Development Days – no students

Parenthesis Indicate total number of available student days in month

Uniform School Calendar allows each district 5 flex days

2017-18 Darien School District Calendar - Revised

(Approved by the Board of Education on March 15, 2017)

July						
3	4	5	6	7		
10	11	12	13	14		
17	18	19	20	21		
24	25	26	27	28		
31						

August (1)				
1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28*	29*	30	31	

24, 25 New Staff Orientation
28, 29 Professional Development
30 Teacher Work Day
31 Students Return

September (19)				
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22^
25	26	27	28	29

4 Labor Day
21 Rosh Hashanah
22 Professional Learning Communities – High School

October (22)					
2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	
16	17	18	19	20	
23	24	25	26	27^	
30	31				

27 Professional Learning Communities – High School

November (19)				
		1	2	3
6	7*	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17^
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

7 Professional Development
17 Professional Learning Communities – High School
22 Early Dismissal
23 & 24 Thanksgiving Recess

December (16)				
				1
4	5•	6•	7•	8•
11	12	13	14	15^
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

5-8 Elementary Parent Confs.
15 Professional Learning Communities – High School
22 Early Dismissal
25-29 Holiday Recess

January (20)				
1	2*	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

1 Holiday Recess
2 Professional Development
15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February (14)					
			1	2^	
5	6	7	8	9	
12	13	14	15	16*	
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28			

2 Professional Learning Communities – High School
16 Professional Development
19 Presidents' Day
20 - 23 February Recess

March (21)				
		1	2	
5	6	7	8	9^
12	13	14	15	16
19	20•	21•	22•	23•
26	27	28	29	30

9 Professional Learning Communities – High School
20-23 Elementary Parent Confs.
30 Good Friday

April (16)					
2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	
16	17	18	19	20^	
23	24	25	26	27	
30					

9-13 Spring Recess
20 Professional Learning Communities – High School

May (22)				
1	2	3	4	
7	8	9	10	11^
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

11 Professional Learning Communities – High School
28 Memorial Day

June (10)					
				1	
4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28	29	

14 School ends for students
15 Teacher Work Day

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PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT

May 9, 2017

Item	Name	Action	Replacing/Location/Position	Effective Date		Tenure Area	Certification Class/Step
				From	To		
Resignations/Retirements							
1	Cynthia Rogers	Retirement	Holmes/Nurse		6/30/2017		
2	Gail Orlando	Retirement	Royle/Secretary		8/20/2017		
3	Joseph Testa	Resignation	DHS/ Campus Monitor		4/7/2017		