

Sterling Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
January 15, 2025
Community Room - 6:00pm
“EXCELLENCE WITH KINDNESS”

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Courtney Langlois, Board Chair at 6:01pm

Present at the meeting: Jennifer Mossner, Vice Chair; Dorothy Capobianco, Treasurer; Victoria Robinson-Lewis, Vice Treasurer; John Brady, Board Member

Also present at the meeting: Theodore Friend, Superintendent; Heather Nickerson, Principal; Laura Smith, Clinical Supervisor; Kristen Lanzillo, Director of Student Services/School Psychologist; Sara Howley, Business Manager; Christine Chandler, Board Clerk

Absent from the meeting: Catherine Malo, Board Member

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Public Comment

No one spoke at this time

IV. Reports and Communications

A. Correspondence

B. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of Meeting December 18, 2024
2. Superintendent's Report
3. Special Education Director's Report
4. Principal's Report
5. Clinical Supervisor's Report
6. Monthly Check Register

- A motion was made by J. Mossner and seconded by V. Robinson-Lewis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented/with changes.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed

C. Budget and Expense Report

S. Howley gave an update on the 2023-2024 Audit, 2024-2025 Budget, and Grants. She also noted that she is continuing to watch all line items.

- A motion was made by V. Robinson-Lewis and seconded by D. Capobianco to approve the Budget and Expense Report as presented.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed

D. Plainfield Board of Education Liaison

C. Langlois noted that they had approved their 2025-2026 SY Calendar.

C. Chandler will get a copy from Plainfield.

E. Personnel - Resignation/Retirement

None at this time

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

- A. Review, discussion, and possible approval of the Shared Services Agreement between the Board of Education and the Town of Sterling.
- A motion was made by J. Brady and seconded by J. Mossner to approve the Shared Services Agreement between the Board of Education and the Town of Sterling.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed

VII. Committee Updates

- A. Policy
- B. Budget
- C. Negotiations

VIII. Recommendations, Questions and/or Comments

IX. Public Comment

No one spoke at this time

X. Executive Session

- A. Review a request from a parent for a student to remain at Sterling Community School after moving out of town.

- A motion was made by V. Robinson-Lewis and seconded by J. Mossner to enter into Executive Session and invite Mr. Friend.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed

Entered into Executive Session: 6:35pm

Exited Executive Session: 6:40pm

- A motion was made by D. Capobianco and seconded by J. Mossner to approve the parent request for a student to remain at Sterling Community School tuition free for the remainder of the school year.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed

XI. Adjournment

- A motion was made by V. Robinson-Lewis and seconded by J. Mossner to adjourn the meeting.
 - Vote: All in favor
 - Motion: Passed
 - Meeting adjourned at: 6:42pm