



HAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
380 MAIN STREET
HAMPTON, CT 06247

MARCH 6, 2025
7 PM

HAMPTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Vice Chair Mark Becker. Those in attendance were Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, Rose Bisson, Stephanie Bora, Maryellen Donnelly, Elizabeth Lindorff, David Halbach and Dennis Timberman. Also in attendance was Superintendent Andrew Skarzynski.

2. Audience Citizens and Public on Agenda Item Only

Dayna McDermott Arriola urged the board to resolve the complaint during the meeting.

3. Discussion and Possible Action: FOI Complaint Resolution Against Hampton Board of Education

Board members and Superintendent Skarzynski discussed the complaint to the Freedom of Information Commission dated October 15 regarding a September 25, 2024 executive session and the complaint to the Freedom of Information Commission dated October 28, regarding an October 23, 2024 executive session.

Motion: Mark Becker moved to acknowledge that the Board of Education should not have stated in the September 25th, 2024 meeting minutes that the Executive Session was for an attorney-client privileged communication and for the October 23rd, 2024 meeting the Board of Education recognizes that, although the agenda item to go into Executive Session for an attorney-client privileged communication was correct, the review of public official or employee is required to be in a public hearing, if requested.

Maryellen Donnelly seconded the motion and requested an amendment to add

The Board of Education will strive to meet FOI guidelines for Executive Sessions and to properly document them in agendas and meeting minutes.

Mark Becker amended his motion and Dennis Timberman seconded the amended motion.

Voting in the affirmative were Juan Arriola, Mark Becker, Stephanie Bora, Maryellen Donnelly, Elizabeth Lindorff, David Halbach and Dennis Timberman. Rose Bisson abstained.

Motion: Maryellen Donnelly moved to hold a meeting at 6:20 on March 10 to approve the March 6 minutes. Stephanie Bora seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

4. Adjournment

Motion: Juan Arriola moved to adjourn. Dennis Timberman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryellen Donnelly