

Union Board of Education
Union, CT 06076
Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 6:30 pm
Union School Library

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm by A.Estell.

Attending: A. Estell, J. Kavanagh, A. Blank, E. Fournier, E. Perkins, M.Silbermann
Sup./Prin. S. Jackopsic,, Rec. Secretary A.Gaug

Others Attending: None

Approval of Minutes

E. Fournier made a motion to approve the minutes from 1/14/2026.
Seconded by A.Blank. Approved. One abstention.

Individuals to be heard- None

Communications: The Woodstock Academy sent a communication that their Finance Committee has approved an increase of 5% for both regular and special education tuition. A previous notification indicated a 3-4% increase.

Administrative Reports and Activities Summary

- a. Superintendent's Report- S.Jackopsic

Legislative session has begun. A lot of discussion around an increase to ECS funding. The Governor's Budget and preliminary ECS numbers indicate an increase of about \$60,000 for Union. Andrea Estell, Karin Frye and Steve met with a local community member to work on designing signs for the America 250 project that the students will create. Frozen the Musical will take place on May 29th. This school year we have had two snow days. Currently, the last day of school would be 6/15/26 pending the weather. New state requirement – K-3, optional reading questionnaire for parents. Healthy Kids has reached out about the possibility of a before and/or after school club at Union School. More research is being done on the program and feasibility. This program would be funded by a fee for parents who have kids attending the program.

Committee Reports

- a. Curriculum-Steve and a couple of the teachers visited an East Windsor elementary school as part of the science of reading professional learning. More materials and supplies have come in for the science program.
- b. Communication-Open gym had a great turn out.
- c. Transportation- A driver is currently being trained.
- d. Personnel- Nothing to report

e. Building- S.Jackopsic. The ignition starter in the boiler has been replaced. Still waiting on the part for the multipurpose room heating. The water company has done some minor updates to comply with requirements.

f. EASTCONN- EASTCONN will host a Partnership in Practice on Friday, March 20. This is open to all town and BOE officials.

Financial Report

a. Review of bills- The bills were reviewed and in order.

b. 2025-2026 Spending – Reviewed Budget vs Actual for YTD January 2026.

Old Business

a. 26-27 Spending Plan- Discussion

New Business

a. Policy updates: 3440 (Fixed Assets), 3326 (Payment of Bills), 3326.1 (Payroll Procedures and Authorized Signatures). Steve, Amanda and Michele met to review the policies and needed updates. A few minor changes have been made and presented to the BOE.

A. Blank made a motion to make revisions to the following policies as presented, 3340, 3326, 3326.1. E. Perkins seconded. Approved unanimously.

b. Discussion and possible action regarding parent request regarding student residency issue and school accommodations

A. Blank made a motion to go into executive session at 7:21pm and invite Steve to join. J.Kavanagh seconded. Approved unanimously. Exited executive session at 7:25pm. A. Blank made a motion to extend school accommodations for student discussed in executive session beyond the sixty days as noted in Policy 5118b until the end of the 25-26 school year. J. Kavanagh seconded. Approved unanimously.

Individuals to be heard- None

Adjournment

Motion by J. Kavanagh to adjourn at 7:26pm. E. Fournier seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Gaug, Recording Secretary.