



**MINUTES
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING**

<https://youtu.be/3jy2PE9rge4>

Tuesday May 26, 2020

4:30 p.m.

Mission Statement:

In a partnership of family, school and community, our mission is to **educate**, **challenge** and **inspire** each individual to excel and become a contributing member of society.

Members:

**Beth Campbell, Chairperson
David Colavecchio, Vice Chairperson
Heather Patchell, Secretary
Roxy Fainer, Treasurer
Francine Coss, Superintendent**

**Salvatore SantaMaria
Frank Treglia
Jennifer Nolan
Matthew VanOrmer
Sarah Ethier**

Student Representatives 2019-2020

**Jacob Field
Isabella Guerrera
McKenna O'Sullivan**

- 1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order (Bylaws of the Board 9325.1 – Quorum)**
 - 1.1. **Chairperson Beth Campbell** called the meeting to order at 4:32p.m.
 - 1.2. Attendance by Roll Call: **Chairperson Beth Campbell, Vice Chairperson David Colavecchio, Secretary Heather Patchell, Treasurer Roxy Fainer, Salvatore SantaMaria, Matthew VanOrmer, Sarah Ethier, Frank Treglia, Superintendent Francine Coss**
 - 1.3. Board Member Absent: **Jennifer Nolan**
 - 1.4. Student Representatives Present: **Jacob Field, Isabella Guerrera, McKenna O'Sullivan**
 - 1.5. Others in Attendance: John Perrucci, Danielle, Heather Boulanger, Hedy Kelly, Kristin Raymond, Robert Lee, Sarah Jackson, Scott Stevenson, Susan Root, Sydney Stevenson, Preston Ross, Sam, Stacey Sefcik (host)

This was a Special Meeting: therefore, the public were able to listen only and not participate.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Meeting to discuss (4) four proposed options for the Thomaston High School Graduation Ceremony - June 15, 2020

<https://youtu.be/3jy2PE9rge4?t=151>

4. Written response regarding the (4)four proposed options from Robert Rubbo - Director of Health – Torrington Area Health District

<https://youtu.be/3jy2PE9rge4?t=233>

5. **Salvatore SantaMaria motioned and Matthew VanOrmer seconded** to vote on potential action regarding 2020 Senior Class Graduation Ceremony, specifically Option #4, In-Person Graduation Ceremony.

Discussion : <https://youtu.be/3jy2PE9rge4?t=703>

Results by Roll Call:

Board Member	Yeas	Nays	Abstain
Beth Campbell		✓	
David Colavecchio	✓		
Sarah Ethier	✓		
Roxy Fainer		✓	
Heather Patchell	✓		
Salvatore SantaMaria	✓		
Frank Treglia			✓
Matthew VanOrmer	✓		

The Motion Carries in favor of holding an in-person graduation ceremony.
Abstention: As a parent of a Senior, **Frank Treglia** chose to abstain.

6. **David Colavecchio motioned and Matthew VanOrmer seconded** to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Motion carried: 8-0-0

Chairperson **Beth Campbell** adjourned the meeting at 4:58.