Area Cooperative Educational Services

AGENDA
ACES Governing Board
Thursday, November 12, 2026
12:30 p.m.
SDA Building, 205 Skiff Street, Hamden, CT
Hybrid Meeting – Virtual Access:

I. Welcome/Call to Order – Ms. Susan Riccio

II. Pledge of Allegiance – Ms. Susan Riccio

III. Public Participation

IV. Approval of Minutes
a. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting held October 8, 2026 **VOTE**

V. Executive Director's Report – Dr. William A. Rice
a. Mission Moment
b. Wintergreen School Presentation
c. Legislative Update: Upcoming Session – Mr. Brendan Sharkey
d. Policy Update – Jody Goeler (CABE)
e. Executive Director 2026–2027 Goals – Board Feedback
f. Design Plan 4.0 – Update and Invitation to Board Design Team
g. Blue Ribbon Commission Submission and RESC Visibility
h. Business Advisory Council Employer Recognition Dinner
i. Legislative Breakfast – November 19, 8:00–10:00 a.m., 88 Bassett Road
j. Statewide Critical Issues Initiative and Press Conference – Dec. 9, 10-11 a.m., Hartford
k. Shipman Legal Breakdown – Legislative Requirements and School-Level Actions

VI. Filing of the Fiscal Report (subject to audit) – Mr. Martin Rudnick, North Haven **VOTE**

VII. Approval of Human Capital Development Report – Ms. Rebecca Cuevas **VOTE**

VIII. **Operations and Early Head Start Update** – Dr. William Rice **VOTE**

IX. **Schools and Programs Report** – Ms. Michelle Coogan

X. **ACES Services and Strategic Development Report** – Mr. Timothy Howes

XI. **New Business**

a. Possible Action to Approve 2027–2028 Regional School Calendar **VOTE**
b. Possible Action to Approve ACES Rates **VOTE**
c. Possible Action to Approve Behavior Technician CBA **VOTE**

XII. **Other**

a. Finance Committee Meeting – December 10, 2026 @ 12:00 pm
b. Regular Governing Board Meeting – December 10, 2026 @ 12:30 pm

XIII. **Adjournment**

XIV. **Attachments**

a. October 8, 2026 Draft Board Meeting Minutes
b. Regional School Calendar
c. Proposed Rates and Tuitions for 27-28 School Year
d. Behavior Technician Agreement