

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
The Learning Center
26 LYON ROAD, BURLINGTON, CT 06013
Monday, September 14, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Joseph Arcuri, Board Chairman
Phillip Penn, Vice Chairman
Thomas Fausel
John Vecchitto
Eleanor (Ellie) Parente
Susan Baccaro
Corey Rewenko
Brooke Joiner
Bruce Guillemette

Absent:

Paul Omichinski
Jenna Sadecki, Student Representative

Also Present:

Alan Beitman, Superintendent
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Cheri Burke, Director of Student Learning
Brian Drisdelle, newly elected Student Representative
Patricia George, Recording Secretary

- I. Call to Order:
Joseph Arcuri called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 7:05 p.m.
- II. Mr. Arcuri led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. Special Guests
Building administrators introduced their newly hired staff members. Retiring teacher Alyce Barlowski was recognized for her years of service and Christine Flaherty was formally recognized as the district's teacher-of-the-year.

Brief Recess

IV. Communications:

A. Superintendent's Report

1. Enrollment Update

The official enrollment reporting date in the State of Connecticut is October 1st. Superintendent Beitman continues to wait for enrollment number reports from the Vo-Ag, technical, and magnet schools.

2. Follow up

Written responses to questions that arose during the last regular meeting of the Board of Education were provided to audience members.

3. Hockey Cooperative

The CIAC is meeting with the representatives of the hockey co-op on Tuesday, September 15th for the purpose of approving the program with the inclusion of Region 10.

4. Donation of Crew Boats

Two new crew boats were recently donated to the Region 10 crew team. Kelly Fecteau, President of the Lewis S. Mill's Crew Booster Club and Benjamin Dunning, owner of Dunning Sand & Gravel were in attendance and formally thanked for their generous donations.

A motion was made by Thomas Fausel and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the donation of two crew boats; all in favor; none opposed, motion carried unanimously.

B. Student Representative's Report:

Brian Drisdelle, a junior at Lewis S. Mills High School, was introduced to the Board members as their newly elected student representative.

V. Approval of the Board of Education Minutes:

A. Regular meeting of the Board of Education dated Monday, August 24, 2015

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Susan Baccaro to accept/approve the minutes from the Board of Education meeting dated Monday, August 24, 2015 with the following amendment made by Board member, John Vecchitto:

Under Item III. Communications; subsection A1; Staffing Update:

Change, "Currently one position remains unfilled, that of World Language Coordinator" to read, "Currently the position remains unfilled, that of World Language Coordinator."

Bruce Guillemette and Brooke Joiner abstained; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Special meeting of the Board of Education – Grievance subcommittee dated Friday, September 4, 2015

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Corey Rewenko to accept/approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education, Grievance subcommittee dated Friday, September 4, 2015 as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- C. Special meeting of the Board of Education dated Tuesday, September 8, 2015

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Corey Rewenko to accept/approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education dated Tuesday, September 8, 2015 as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

VI. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Financial Reports dated August 2015:

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the financial reports as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Appointments: n/a

- C. Leaves of Absence:

A motion was made by Susan Baccaro and seconded by Thomas Fausel to accept/approve the leaves of absence as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- D. Resignations: n/a

- E. Retirements: n/a

VII. Public Participation

Adam Ammirata

Expressed that he did not want to miss the meeting/acknowledged his wife's birthday

Norman St. Peter

Questioned the position of Assistant for Special Projects

Peter McBrien

Spoke in support of Mr. Gedney

Wash Winn

Questioned whether the Board discussed investigating the situation with Mr. Gedney

Questioned the communication process to parents

Rachel McFadden

Communication with the public needs to be improved

Christine Kryzwick

Asked that inaudible speakers be reflected appropriately on the minutes

Mr. Wierbicki

Asked if the Board's attorney agreed with the investigation process

Amy Gauthier

Commented that Ms. Carbone was doing a great job

Spoke in favor of Ms. Cheri Burke, the Director of Student Learning

Vanessa Pannuto

Wants Mr. Gedney back

Jenn Cavalleiri

Questions encompassed the new position of Assistant for Special Projects

Theresa Foley

Addressed the Assistant for Special Projects

Joanne Wierbicki

Questioned Mr. Gedney's new position

VIII. Actions:

- A. Annual lease renewal between Regional School District #10 Board of Education (Landlord) and the Burlington Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated (Tenant) and accompanying amendment to the lease

A motion was made by Eleanor Parente and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the lease with amendment as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Board of Education Resolution – Assistant for Special Projects

A motion was made by Thomas Fausel and seconded by Brooke Joiner to accept/approve the resolution as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- C. Proposed Quebec Field Trip

A motion was made by Brooke Joiner and seconded by Susan Baccaro to accept/approve the field trip as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

IX. Business:

- A. Irish Dance Event Facilities Use – Brenda O'Leary

Informational item only

Requested to be "grandfathered" into the previous pricing structure for the use of school facilities

Item to be brought before the Board for approval at their October 5, 2015 meeting

- B. Superintendent's Goals

Superintendent Beitman met with the Chair of the Superintendent's Goal's Committee, Paul Omichinski, on several occasions to develop his goals; a draft of five goals was made available to the Board. It is anticipated that the final document will be brought before the Board in October for adoption.

X. Board Committee Reports: n/a

XI. Upcoming Meetings:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 5, 2015, 7:00 p.m.; Har-Bur Middle School Media Center.

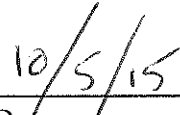
XII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 8:27 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Fausel, Secretary



Date

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The minutes are marked as DRAFT, pending Board of Education approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

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Robert's Rules state, "Minutes are a record of what was done at a meeting, not a record of what was said." [RONR (11th ed.), p. 468, ll. 16-18] which is the standard for which board minutes strive. For this reason the minutes will typically not reflect the discussion surrounding a motion, only its outcome.

Additionally, Robert's Rules in brief advises "The name and subject of a guest speaker or other program may be given, but no summary of the talk." [RONRIB page 149]

Both books can be found at our local libraries for anyone interested in more information.

RSD10 Chair