

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

**Board Members Present:**

Phillip Penn  
Paul Omichinski  
Thomas Fausel  
Corey Rewenko  
John Goodno Arrived 7:04 p.m.  
John Vecchitto  
Bruce Guillemette  
Brooke Joiner

**Absent:**

Susan Baccaro  
Eleanor Parente

**Also Present:**

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

- I. Call to Order:  
Superintendent Beitman called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 7:01 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance  
Superintendent Beitman led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. Election of Officers:

**Board Chairman**

The Superintendent called for nominations for Board Chairman

A motion was made by Brooke Joiner and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to nominate Phillip Penn as Board Chair; no other nominations were cast; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

### Board Vice Chairman

Board Chair, Phillip Penn, called for nominations for a Vice Chairman

A motion was made by Bruce Guillemette and seconded by John Vecchitto to nominate Thomas Fausel as Vice Chairman; no other nominations were cast; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

### Board Treasurer

Board Chair, Phillip Penn, called for nominations for Treasurer

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Paul Omichinski to nominate Bruce Guillemette as Board Treasurer; no other nominations were cast; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

### Board Secretary

Board Chair, Phillip Penn, called for nomination for Secretary

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Corey Rewenko to nominate John Vecchitto as Board Secretary; no other nominations were cast; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

#### IV. Introduction of new Board member: Mr. John Goodno

\*John Goodno arrived 7:04 p.m.

Mr. Penn introduced and welcomed newly elected Board member, John Goodno.

Although Mr. Joseph Arcuri was not present, Mr. Penn publicly acknowledged him for his service to the Board and the Region 10 School District.

#### V. Communications:

##### A. Superintendent's Report

##### 1. District Update #1

A breakdown of major events occurring in the district was provided in the board packet. Superintendent Beitman also noted that a "soft freeze" on the current budget was instituted due to concerns surrounding the excess cost reimbursement from the state.

B. Student Representatives' Reports: Jenna Sadecki and Brian Drisdelle

Spirit week, the annual toy and army care package drives, winter sport standings, progress reports, Mr. Mills contest, holiday concerts and the Science Club movie marathon, were some of the events reported on by the student representatives.

VI. Approval of the Board of Education Minutes:

- A. Transportation Committee Hearing dated Monday, October 5, 2015
- B. Regular meeting of the Board of Education dated Monday, November 9, 2015

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the minutes as presented; all in favor; none opposed; John Goodno abstained; motion carried.

VII. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Financial Reports dated November 2015
- B. Appointments:
  - 1. Rachel Schleker, Speech and Language Pathologist, Harwinton Consolidated School, effective December 7, 2015
- C. Leave of Absence: n/a
- D. Resignations: n/a
- E. Retirement: n/a

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Tom Fausel to accept/approve the Consent Agenda as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Public Participation: n/a

IX. Actions:

- A. Anonymous donation of \$8,000 to build a concrete shed for girls' softball and boys' baseball teams

Superintendent Beitman was pleased to announce that he was presented with a check from an anonymous source asking if the district would consider building a concrete shed for the girls' softball and boys' baseball teams. The design would be approved by the facilities committee. Any monies remaining would be air marked for concrete pads for future dugouts.

A motion was made by Bruce Guillemette and seconded by Corey Rewenko to accept/approve the anonymous \$8,000 donation; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Education for Regional School District #10 and The Region 10 Administrators' Association dated July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019

A motion was made by Thomas Fausel and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- C. New Courses

Three new courses were described by Ms. Cheri Burke, the Director of Student Learning and brought before the Board for their approval. They were noted as:

1. He Said/She Said, Literature Elective for Grades 11 & 12
2. Creativity and Social Change, Language Arts Elective Course for Grade 12
3. Human Rights, Social Studies Elective Course for Grades 11 & 12

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the new courses as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- D. Policy #1125, Communications Regarding Pending Referenda  
E. Policy #1313, Smoking and Use of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems and Vapor Product Prohibited  
F. Policy 3518, Pesticide Policy  
G. Policy 5114, Student Discipline – Removal/Suspension/Expulsion  
H. Policy 5121, Examination/Grading/Rating  
I. Policy 4118.25, Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect  
J. Policy 5141.21, Administration of Student medication in the Schools  
K. Policy #5141.3, Health Assessments and Immunizations

Discussion on item G, Policy #5114:

Correction on page 4 noted - item #16 should remain with no strikeout.

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Thomas Fausel to accept/approve the policies noted in items D through K as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

- L. 2016/2017 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

A motion was made by Brooke Joiner and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the 2016/2017 Board of Education meeting schedule as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

M. Budget Transfers for the Month of November 2015

A motion was made by Brooke Joiner and seconded by Corey Rewenko to accept/approve the budget transfers for the month of November as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

X. Business:

A. Policy #5144 Use of Restraint and Seclusion

First review, no action anticipated. Information from new legislation reflected in the new policy - to be brought back before the Board in January for adoption.

XI. Standing Board Committee Reports

A. Committee assignment reviews

Board members were asked to communicate to Mr. Penn their desires with regards to serving on any of the committees.

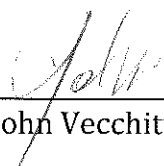
XII. Upcoming Meetings

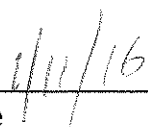
The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 11, 2016.

XIII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 8:00 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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John Vecchitto, Secretary

  
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Date

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

When participating in or attending a Board of Education meeting or reviewing minutes, please note that the Board of Education uses formats prescribed by Robert's Rules of Order for conducting meetings and publishing minutes.

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