

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
The Learning Center
Har-Bur Middle School
 26 Lyon Road, Burlington, CT 06013
 Monday, November 12, 2018
 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Thomas Fausel, Chairman
 Bruce Guillemette, Vice Chairman
 John Vecchitto
 Dean Cowger
 Wendy Darasz
 Brooke Joiner
 Paul Omichinski
 Assuntina (Susan) Baccaro
 John Goodno
 Eleanor Parente

Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Alan Beitman, Superintendent of Schools
 Cheri Burke, Director of Student Learning
 Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
 Sam Dorman, Senior Student Representative
 Kathryn Bergstrom, Junior Student Representative
 Patricia George, Recording Secretary

Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas Fausel at 7:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance was cited
Communications	Superintendent's Report: With Thanksgiving just a week away and the budget season in full swing, Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations, as well as, David Fortin, the Director of Facilities along with building administrators have begun working on a five-year plan for the district.

	<p><u>Invited Guests: Elected Officials</u></p> <p>It has been an annual practice of Region 10 administration and the Board of Education to invite elected officials from the Harwinton and Burlington communities as part of the initial budget process for the ensuing year.</p> <p>Several officials were in attendance including First Selectmen, Michael Criss and Theodore Shafer. Each provided an overview, or snapshot, of their town's financial standing and demographics. This information is highly considered when developing the new plan.</p> <p>Other officials in attendance were Peter B. Thierry, Harwinton Board of Finance and Thomas Zabel, Burlington Selectman.</p> <p><u>Student Representatives' Reports:</u></p> <p>A number of high school activities were noted including the November 1st application deadline for colleges, upcoming Mr. Mills contest, the annual Veterans' day assembly and the conclusion of the fall sports season.</p>
<i>Break</i>	
<i>Approval of Minutes</i>	<p>A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the minutes as presented; all in favor; none opposed; John Goodno and Susan Baccarro abstained; motion carried.</p> <p><u>Minutes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular meeting of the Board dated Monday, October 1, 2018 • Transportation Committee dated Tuesday, October 9, 2018 • Technology Committee dated Monday, October 14, 2018
<i>Consent Agenda</i>	<p>A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented was made by Bruce Guillemette and seconded by Paul Omichinski; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><u>Consent Agenda items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financials dated October 2018 • Leaves of Absence • Resignations • Appointments <p>Highlighted was the appointment of Joseph Masi as the new principal of Har-Bur Middle School commencing in January. For the record there were no retirements.</p>

<p>Public Participation</p>	<p>There was no public participation</p>
<p>Action Items</p>	<p><u>2019/2020 Regular Meetings of the Board of Education:</u> A motion was made by Eleanor Parente and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the 2019/2020 Regular Meeting dates as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><u>National High School Model United Nations Field Trip:</u> A longstanding and successful field trip to the United Nations was brought to the Board for approval by faculty member Joshua Krampitz. Principal Rau presented on his behalf.</p> <p>A motion was made by Susan Baccaro and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the United Nations field trip as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><u>World Language Department Field Trips to Spain and France:</u> Dr. Jodiann Tenney, the district's World Language Coordinator, offered the Board several field trips to consider which were to occur in April of 2020. Both field trips were previously granted and demonstrated to be positive.</p> <p>A motion was made by Bruce Guillemette and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the field trips to Spain and France as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Business</p>	<p><u>Teacher Leadership Council Monthly Update:</u></p> <p>Ms. Cheri Burke, the Director of Student Learning, spoke on behalf of the committee. Their first task was the development of an assessment to gather feedback for early release professional development days as promised to the Board for their approval of those additional days. Currently working on collecting the data and looking at the impact on student learning and teachers' professional growth.</p> <p><u>World Language Department Field Trip to China:</u> A newly proposed field trip to China was brought to the Board by Dr. Jodiann Tenney. Plans are to partner with Region 7 schools, who have taken part in this trip on a number of occasions.</p> <p>Several initial concerns were raised including health care protocols and in country air travel, specifically the maintenance and safety records.</p>

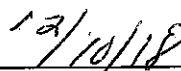
	<p>The proposal is expected to return on the December board agenda as a second review and action item.</p> <p><u>Board Committees:</u></p> <p>The latest committee roster with its respective participants was made available to Board members. Newly appointed board member Dean Cowger expressed an interest in several committees and was to share his requests with the Chairman. Superintendent Beitman conveyed that he would like to have the committees finalized at December meeting.</p> <p>Anticipated as a second review and action item in December.</p> <p><u>District Assessment Date:</u></p> <p>Ms. Cheri Burke, the Director of Student Learning, provided a presentation on state summative assessments for Smarter Balance, SAT, PSAT, and AP testing.</p> <p>Invited to participate in the presentation was Christopher Weaver who was instrumental in pulling the data together; elementary principals, Stefanie Anderson and Megan Mazzei; and high school principal, Chris Rau.</p> <p>The overall assumption is Region10 students are performing as well and better than neighboring school districts. Technology use and experience is crucial and continued growth in the area of math is essential.</p>
<p><i>Board Committee Reports</i></p>	<p><u>Facilities:</u> Anticipating a meeting to prep for the budget</p> <p><u>Curriculum:</u> Meeting November 28th</p> <p><u>Superintendent's Evaluation:</u> Meeting planned for later this week</p> <p><u>Finance Committee:</u> No report</p> <p><u>CREC:</u> Sustainability resolution was made available by Superintendent Beitman; First legislative meeting is scheduled for next week</p>

	<p><u>Technology:</u> Thomas Fausel offered a brief commentary.</p> <p>Met on October 15th – What are we using? What software? What is appropriate use of technology at grade level and the training necessary?</p> <p>Grade level expectations and the professional development around that.</p> <p>Next meeting is scheduled for December 10th at 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BAK USA suddenly out of business. The good news is Microsoft will continue to support the district.</p> <p><u>Diversity</u></p> <p>Newly established committee</p>
<i>Upcoming Meetings</i>	Regular Meeting Monday, December 10, 2018
<i>Adjourn</i>	A motion was made by Bruce Guillemette and seconded by Paul Omichinski to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Eleanor Parente, Secretary



Date

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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