

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
The Learning Center
26 LYON ROAD, BURLINGTON, CT 06013
Monday, August 24, 2015
7:00 p.m.

*Amended Minutes from 9/14/2015

Board Members Present:

Joseph Arcuri, Chairman
Phillip Penn, Vice Chairman
Paul Omichinski
Thomas Fausel
John Vecchitto
Eleanor (Ellie) Parente
Susan Baccaro
Corey Rewenko

Absent:

Brooke Joiner
Bruce Guillemette
Student Representative Jenna Sadecki

Also Present:

Alan Beitman, Superintendent
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Cheri Burke, Director of Student Learning
Patricia George, Recording Secretary

- I. Call to Order:
Board Chairman Joseph Arcuri called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 7:00 p.m.

- II. Mr. Arcuri led the pledge of allegiance.

Special Recognition:
Corey Rewenko of Harwinton was introduced and welcomed as the Board's newest member.

- III. Communications:
 - A. Superintendent's Report:
 1. Staffing Update
Currently, one position remains unfilled, that of World Language Coordinator. The interview process continues.

Amendment: Currently, the position remains unfilled, that of World Language Coordinator.

2. Enrollment Update

Enrollment for September was projected to be approximately 2,523 students with actual numbers presenting at 2,550. This represents an increase of 27 students, primarily at the elementary schools. Superintendent cautioned however, that magnet school numbers and the shifting of students in and out of the district could still have a bearing on enrollment; it remains too early to determine.

3. Summer Projects Update

A brief synopsis of summer projects and their status was heard by the Board.

B. Student Representative Report : Not present to report.

IV. Approval of the Board of Education Minutes:

1. A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education dated Saturday, May 30, 2015; all in favor; none opposed; Corey Rewenko abstained; motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Paul Omichinski to accept/approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education dated Monday, June 8, 2015; all in favor; none opposed; Corey Rewenko abstained; motion carried unanimously.
3. A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Eleanor Parente to accept/approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Education dated Monday, June 8, 2015 with the following amendment made by John Vecchitto:

Under IX. Action Items, subsection D., "Time was of the essence" would be better stated as, "it was suggested by the presenter that time was of the essence".

all in favor; none opposed; Corey Rewenko abstained; motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Thomas Fausel and seconded by Phillip Penn to accept/approve the minutes from the Technology Committee Meeting dated Monday, June 15, 2015; all in favor; none opposed; John Vecchitto and Corey Rewenko abstained; motion carried unanimously.
5. A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Paul Omichinski to accept/approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Education - Grievance Subcommittee dated Friday, July 17, 2015; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

V. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of the Financial Reports dated July 2015:

Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations, indicated that she anticipated a surplus for year ending 2014/2015.

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by Paul Omichinski to accept/approve the financial reports for July 2015 as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

B. Appointments:

Twenty-two appointments were made available through retirements, resignations, and approved leaves of absence.

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

C. Leaves of Absence:

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

D. Resignations:

A motion was made by Susan Baccaro and seconded by Corey Rewenko to accept/approve the resignations as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

E. Retirements:

A motion was made by Eleanor Parente and seconded by Susan Baccaro to accept/approve the retirements as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

VI. Public Participation

Vanessa Pannuto

Burlington

Spoke in support of Mr. Gedney

Joanne Wierbicki

Burlington

Spoke in support of Mr. Gedney

Veronica Hollis

Questions were directed toward the 13/14 & 14/15 food service financial statements

Susan Winn
Burlington

Spoke in support of Jack Gedney

Wash Winn
Burlington

Spoke in support of Jack Gedney

Tina Thornton
Burlington

Expressed her concerns regarding a three day transition period for a substitute teacher when a teacher goes out on leave

David Leenhouts
Burlington

Owed explanation regarding Mr. Gedney
Voiced his support of Mr. Gedney

Rudy (Inaudible last name/party identified as a Region 10 resident)
Ryan's way

Expressed his concern that he cannot be provided with an explanation regarding Mr. Gedney's removal from his position. He also wanted to address Mr. Gedney's salary.

Jen C (Inaudible last name/party identified as a Region 10 resident)
Burlington

Expressed her concern regarding the way in which Mr. Gedney's reassignment was handled.

VII. Actions:

A. Approval of Wamogo Memorandum of Agreement

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Wamogo as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of Teacher Support Evaluation Plan for 15/16

A motion was made by Phillip Penn and seconded by John Vecchitto to accept/approve the Teacher Support Evaluation Plan for 15/16 as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

C. Approval of Administrator's Evaluation and Support Plan for 15/16
A motion was made by Susan Baccaro and seconded by Thomas Fausel to accept/approve the Administrator's Evaluation and Support Plan for 15/16; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

D. Budget Transfers for July 2015

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Eleanor Parente to accept/approve the budget transfers for July 2015 as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

E. Bermuda Field Trip

A motion was made by Eleanor Parente and seconded by Thomas Fausel to accept/approve the Bermuda Field Trip as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Business:

A. Committee Assignments

Board members were asked to review the various committees and edit their information accordingly.

IX. Board Committee Reports
2015 CABE/CAPSS Convention

Interested members who would like to attend the convention should contact central office.

X. Upcoming Meetings

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, September 14th at 7:00 in the Har-Bur Middle School Learning Center. A reception for new staff members and the teacher-of-the-year will be held on the same evening at 6:15 p.m. in the same location.

XI. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Susan Baccaro 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,



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