

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
The Lewis S. Mills Auditorium
26 LYON ROAD, BURLINGTON, CT 06013
Monday, November 9, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Phillip Penn, Vice Chairman & Presiding Board Member
Paul Omichinski
Thomas Fausel
John Vecchitto
Eleanor (Ellie) Parente
Susan Baccaro
Corey Rewenko
Brooke Joiner
Bruce Guillemette

Absent:

Joseph Arcuri, Board Chairman

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:
Vice Chairman Phillip Penn called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 7:02 p.m.
- II. Mr. Penn led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. Special Recognition
Retiring faculty member Patricia McGlynn was recognized for her years of service to the Region 10 Public Schools, its staff, parents, and students. She will be officially retiring at the end of December.

IV. Communications:

A. Invited Guests: Elected Officials

Elected officials from both Harwinton and Burlington were invited to the Board meeting to provide an update regarding the welfare of their respective towns as it feeds into the budget process of the Region 10 school district for the ensuing year. Mr. Ted Shafer, Mr. Gerald Mullen and Mr. Michael Criss were all on hand and provided commentaries.

B. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Beitman offered a brief report on the status of the school year and extended an invitation to the Board members to attend the annual Veteran's Day assembly, which was to take place the following afternoon, Tuesday, November 10th in the Lewis S. Mills Auditorium.

C. Student Representatives' Reports

Jenna Sadecki and Brian Drisdelle

Senior representative Jenna Sadecki and junior representative Brian Drisdelle presented their reports on current school events including an update on athletic standings, Spirit week, and fundraising efforts.

V. Approval of the Board of Education Minutes:

A. Regular meeting of the Board of Education dated Monday, October 5, 2015

B. Technology committee meeting dated Tuesday, October 13, 2015

C. Transportation committee meeting dated Wednesday, October 14, 2015

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

VI. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of the Financial Reports dated October 2015:

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Susan Baccaro to accept/approve the financial reports as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

B. Appointments:

1. Lake Garda School Principal

Superintendent Beitman was pleased to recommend the interview committee's candidate for principal of Lake Garda School, Ms. Stefanie Carbone.

A motion was made by Eleanor Parente and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the appointment of Ms. Stefanie Carbone; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

C. Leaves of Absence: n/a

D. Resignations: n/a

E. Retirements: n/a

VII. Public Participation: n/a

VIII. Actions:

A. Budget transfers for October 2015

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

IX. Business:

A. Update from STEM Committee – Cheri Burke, Director of Student Learning

Ms. Burke provided the Board with an update of the STEM committee's recent efforts with a more formal presentation and proposal expected relatively quickly as the budget season is soon approaching. The committee is currently working to identify what STEM will be and what STEM currently is in Region 10. The consensus of the committee members revealed that it should be a program that provides multiple entry points for students and an open ended, problem based, exploratory learning approach.

B. Policy 1125

C. Policy 1313

D. Policy 3518

E. Policy 5114

F. Policy 5121

G. Policy 4118.25

H. Policy 5141.21

I. Administrative Regulation 5141.21A (how the policy is to be implemented)

J. Policy 5141.3

K. 2016/2017 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

The above policies and meeting schedule are slated for a vote to accept/approve at the Board of Education's December meeting. Board members were asked to review the materials as a first read.

X. Board Committee Reports:

With the outcome of last Tuesday's election, Board member Joseph Arcuri will no longer sit on the negotiations committee. Board member Thomas Fausel has replaced Mr. Arcuri in that capacity.

Mr. Penn apprised Board members that officer elections will occur at the December meeting and committees will be reconstituted at that time, as well.

XI. Upcoming Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Har-Bur Middle School Learning Center

XII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 7:53 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Fausel, Secretary

12/14/15
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