

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
NEWBURY LIBRARY-MEDIA CENTER  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES - APPROVED 8/28/19**  
July 10, 2019 – 6 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chair Ms. Molly Sexton Read (B), Vice-Chair Mr. Robert Jerram (NH), Secretary/Treasurer Mr. Noel Gauthier (NH), Ms. Mary Duran (B), Ms. Theresa Kenneson (C), Ms. Lisa Fragale (C), Ms. Deborah Bell (N), Superintendent Dr. Judith Palmer, Director of Finance & Operations Mr. James Gaskins

**ABSENT:** Mr. Ben Nadeau

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Sexton Read called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**PUBLIC PORTION:** None.

**MOTION** by Mr. Gauthier, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to **AMEND** Agenda to include Director of Finance and Operations Board of Education Report. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Duran, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION** by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Kenneson, to **APPROVE** Board of Education Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2019, as presented. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Duran, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **REPORTS**

### **SUPERINTENDENT:**

Superintendent Palmer provided Board of Education updates pertaining to: agreement to act as mentor to Lisa Carter, Region 1, during the 2019-2020 school year; Torrington/AgEd upcoming meeting with the goal of streamlining the acceptance process; Steve Zimmerman leading this year's Europe Trip and they have safely landed and are off to a wonderful start; Teacher and Administrator Negotiations timeline; 2019-2020 School Improvement Plans, Middle School enrollment plan; and, Hiring Report including six (6) new teachers to date with two (2) to follow. Questions and discussion followed.

### **DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS:**

Mr. Gaskins provided Board updates regarding: campus summer work and project timelines; grant security projects at Shared Services plus R7 building; Administrative Assistant and Custodian Negotiations updates; and, end-of-year process. Questions and discussion followed.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Updates:**

Ms. Sexton Read happily advised that Regional School District No. 7, 2019 Warner graduation went smoothly again this year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Updates:** None.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter shared by Ms. Sexton Read from the Town of Norfolk advising of Norfolk Board member, Deb Bell's, reappointment. Board members thanked Ms. Bell for her continued membership and support.

Additionally, Ms. Sexton Read advised of Letter of Resignation received from veteran High School Math Teacher, Mr. Jim Paniati.

**MOTION** by Ms. Kenneson, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to **ACCEPT**, with best wishes, gratitude, and appreciation for his long service, Jim Paniati's Letter of Resignation. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Duran, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PUBLIC PORTION:** None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Kenneson, to **ADJOURN** at 6:35 p.m. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Duran, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa H. D'Aprile  
Board Clerk

Next Meeting: August 28, 2019, 6:00 p.m., Newbury Library Media Center