

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 25, 2020**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on June 25, 2020 via Google Hangouts Meet Video Conference (Live Stream). Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members Present: Peter Sonski, Joel D'Angelo, Dr. Nelson Rivera, Jennifer Favalora, Shawna Goldfarb, Eileen Blewett, Joanne Nesti, and Suzanne Sack

Members Absent: Brenda Buzzi & Kathleen Zandi

Also Present: Director of Finance, Ann Adriani, Director of Operations, John Mercier, and Board Clerk, Jamie Sciascia

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<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1i10cdAPsABppTFpkAQYlmLatocjXwah5/view?usp=sharing>

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Report from Chairman about new BOE Meeting Format and Process Under the Governor's Order:

Board Chair, Sack, updated the Board. She briefly went over the BOE Meeting Format under the Governor's Order and advised that the Agenda and meeting materials have been posted and can be located on the RSD17 website for public viewing.

Old Business:

A. Fiscal Year-End Report, Fund Transfers and Town Assessment Schedules

Ann Adriani updated the Board. She went over the Fiscal Year-End Report, Fund Transfers and Town Assessment Schedules in length as well as the coverage of insurance premiums.

*Jennifer Favalora **MOVED** and Dr. Nelson Rivera **SECONDED** a motion to approve the Fund Transfers as presented and a pre-payment of the insurance premium of approximately \$492,500.*

*Jennifer Favalora **AMENDED** and Dr. Nelson Rivera **SECONDED** a motion to approve the Fund Transfers as presented and a pre-payment of the insurance premium not to exceed \$500,000.*

Motion passed unanimously 8-0-0 by the following Voice Votes:

Kathleen Zandi	Absent	Shawna Goldfarb	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Peter Sonski	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Favalora	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Nelson Rivera	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eileen Blewett	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Brenda Buzzi	Absent
Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					NO <input type="checkbox"/>
					A <input type="checkbox"/>

Joanne Nesti **MOVED** and Peter Sonski **SECONDED** a motion to approve the Town of Haddam's invoice of \$24,414,138.26 and the Town of Killingworth's invoice of \$15,314,432.09 for the 20-21 fiscal year.

Motion passed unanimously 8-0-0 by the following Voice Votes:

Kathleen Zandi	Absent	Shawna Goldfarb	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Peter Sonski	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Favalora	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Nelson Rivera	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eileen Blewett	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brenda Buzzi	Absent		
Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>

B. Update on Potential Purchase of Front Loader

John Mercier updated the Board. He spoke about the condition of the Front Loader, future storage options and money that was paid for heavy snow removal from years 2013 to present of approximately \$21,000.

Eileen Blewett **MOVED** and Joanne Nesti **SECONDED** a motion to purchase but not to exceed \$9,000 for the Front Loader from the Town of Haddam from the 19/20 Fund Balance.

Motion passed unanimously 8-0-0 by the following Voice Votes:

Kathleen Zandi	Absent	Shawna Goldfarb	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Peter Sonski	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Favalora	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Nelson Rivera	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eileen Blewett	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brenda Buzzi	Absent		
Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>

C. Report from Director of Operations:

a. Update on the Field House Project*

Vice Chair, Sonski, updated the Board. He spoke about choosing a contractor for the construction portion of the project but legal issues arose and could address that part in Executive Session, if need be.

Shawna Goldfarb **MOVED** and Jen Favalora **SECONDED** a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel Matters.

Motion passed unanimously 8-0-0 by the following Voice Votes:

Kathleen Zandi	Absent	Shawna Goldfarb	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Peter Sonski	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Favalora	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Nelson Rivera	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eileen Blewett	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brenda Buzzi	Absent		
Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>

Executive Session started at approximately 7:30 p.m.

D. Personnel Matters*

Board Chair, Sack, updated the Board.

Executive Session ended at approximately 7:40 p.m.

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Sciascia

Board Clerk

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Jennifer Favalora, Secretary