

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
June 09, 2020

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on June 9, 2020 via Google Hangouts Meet Video Conference (Live Stream). Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Members Present: *Peter Sonski, Dr. Nelson Rivera, Jennifer Favalora, Eileen Blewett, Joanne Nesti, Brenda Buzzi, Kathleen Zandi and Suzanne Sack*

Members Absent: *Shawna Goldfarb & Joel D'Angelo*

Also Present: *Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Holly Hageman, Director of Finance, Ann Adriani, Director of Operations, John Mercier, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Donna Hayward, Assistant Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Adam Apicella, Director of Student Services, Dr. Kris Lindsay, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, Dolores Bates, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, Eric Larson, Principal of Burr Elementary School, Brienne Whidden, Principal of Killingworth Elementary School, Dennis Reed, Curriculum Coordinators, Heather Rigatti and Jennifer Beermuender, and Board Clerk, Jamie Sciascia*

Visitors: *Approximately 30*

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<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1VV2riq6BlWrU9IyiwMrGsG10A5vP402O>

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: *Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*

Recognition Ceremonies:

A. Recognition of Haddam-Killingworth High School's Top Ten Students of the Class of 2020:

Superintendent Dr. Holly Hageman presented the Top Ten Students of the Class of 2020 as follows:

- No. 10: Kaitlin Crandall of Higganum*
- No. 9: Luke Lamontagne of Higganum*
- No. 8: Olivia Herrmann of Killingworth*
- No. 7: Fijare Plous of Higganum*
- No. 6: Lauren Miller of Killingworth*
- No. 5: Schuyler Drago of Haddam*
- No. 4: Michael O'Toole of Killingworth*
- No. 3: Elijah Houlton of Higganum*
- No. 2: Zachary Houlton of Higganum, Salutatorian*
- No. 1: Arjun Badami of Higganum, Valedictorian*

B. Recognition of District Retirees:

- 1. Eileen Mills, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, presented by Principal Eric Larson and Former Principal of Burr District Elementary School, Robert Smalley*

2. *Patricia Zeidler, of Burr District Elementary School, presented by Principal Brienne Whidden*
3. *Nancy Chase, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
4. *Cindy Klein, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate/Middle School, presented by Superintendent Dr. Holly Hageman*
5. *Gary Shepherd, of Central Office, presented by Superintendent Dr. Holly Hageman*

C. Recognition of Staff Members of the Year:

1. *Steve Miller, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
2. *Nancy Chase, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
3. *Heather Lonergan of Burr District Elementary School, presented by Principal Brienne Whidden*
4. *Caryn Luneau, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, presented by Principal Eric Larson*
5. *Susan Hammar, of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, presented by Principal Dolores Bates*
6. *Beth LiPuma, of Central Office, was named District Staff Member of the Year, presented by Dr. Kris Lindsay*

D. Recognition of District Teachers of the Year:

1. *Carlye Kohs, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
2. *Tara Brinkman, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, presented by Principal Eric Larson*
3. *Kim Brustman, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
4. *Chris Snow, of Burr District Elementary School, presented by Principal Brienne Whidden*
5. ***Paige Callahan, of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, was named Regional School District No. 17 Teacher of the Year, presented by Principal Dolores Bates***

Adjournment:

Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jamie Sciascia
Board Clerk*

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Jennifer Favalora, Secretary