

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
March 31, 2020

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on March 31, 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, Joel D'Angelo, Dr. Nelson Rivera, Jennifer Favalora, Shawna Goldfarb, Eileen Blewett, Joanne Nesti, Brenda Buzzi, Kathleen Zandi and Suzanne Sack*

Members Absent: *None.*

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, Student Services Coordinator, Tonya Gorgone, 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*

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.*

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, welcomed everyone via live stream and asked the public if they would like to give a public comment to send it to boepubliccomment@rsd17.org.

Report from the Chairman, Secretary and Superintendent regarding BOE Meetings Format and Governor's Order:

Board Chair, Sack, updated the Board. She briefly went over the Governor's Order 7B; specifically, the requirements about holding a Board of Education meeting.

Public Comment:

Neal Perron from Haddam Neck addressed the Board.

Robert Waz from Higganum addressed the Board.

Old Business:

A. Status/Update, Discussion, and Next Steps on School Building Closure and Distance Learning
Superintendent Dr. Hageman updated the Board.

Superintendent Dr. Hageman shared a video with the Board and Community viewers made by the PTO, and from some of the BES Students, thanking the Teachers, Administration and Staff for all their hard work in helping them in their Distance Learning journey.

B. Update on Fieldhouse Project

Board Vice Chair, Sonski, updated the Board.

John Mercier updated the Board.

C. Status, Discussion and Next Steps on School Calendar, School End Date and Graduation Date (School Calendar)

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack updated the Board.

D. Status, Discussion and Next Steps of Regular Board Meeting Schedule including Executive Committee's Recommendation

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, updated the Board.

It was the Consensus of the Board to accept the Executive Committee's Recommendation for the RSD17 Proposed Schedule for Board Budget Timeline.

Adjournment

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, called for the meeting to adjourn at 6:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Sciascia

Board Clerk

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Jennifer Favalora, Secretary