

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MINUTES
July 31, 2019

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on July 31, 2019 in the Board Room at Central Office. Board of Education Chair, Joanne Nesti, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members Present: Gerry Matthews, Eileen Blewett, Peter Sonski, Sue Williams, Maura Wallin, Eric Couture, Joel D'Angelo, Brenda Buzzi and Joanne Nesti

Members Absent: Suzanne Sack and Kathleen Zandi

Also Present: None.

Visitors: None.

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

Board Chair, Nesti, gave a recap stating that 2 weeks ago the BOE appointed a search committee to hire a new Superintendent for RSD 17. They appointed Dr. Holly Hageman to serve as interim Superintendent. The next step of the committee is to hire a search firm. Joel D'Angelo stated that the committee created a subcommittee to focus on vetting five firms that specialize in this work. The subcommittee focused on asking the deeper questions specific to the needs of our district. The committee unanimously recommended CES, Cooperative Educational Services of Trumbull. The first phase of work is to create a leadership profile based on input from all community stakeholders. This work will be done through focus groups and surveys. A representative from CES was at the search committee meeting to provide information and answer questions. This work is to begin in the next few weeks. Time and Place of the focus groups will be determined by the committee to continue working in the best interests of our students and their education.

*Joel D'Angelo **MOVED** and Gerry Matthews **SECONDED** a motion that the BOE engage CES, Cooperative Educational Services, to provide services not to exceed \$17,000 to assist the District in hiring a permanent Superintendent.*

Motion passed unanimously 9-0-0 by the following votes:

Suzanne Sack	Absent	Joel D'Angelo	YES <u>√</u>	NO <u> </u>	A <u> </u>
Peter Sonski	YES <u>√</u>	Eileen Blewett	YES <u>√</u>	NO <u> </u>	A <u> </u>
Maura Wallin	YES <u>√</u>	Brenda Buzzi	YES <u>√</u>	NO <u> </u>	A <u> </u>
Eric Couture	YES <u>√</u>	Gerry Matthews	YES <u>√</u>	NO <u> </u>	A <u> </u>
Sue Williams	YES <u>√</u>	Kathleen Zandi	Absent		
		Joanne Nesti	YES <u>√</u>	NO <u> </u>	A <u> </u>

Adjournment:

Board Chair, Joanne Nesti, called for the meeting to adjourn at approximately 7:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jamie Sciascia
Board Clerk

Approval:


Eileen Blewett, Secretary

Date:

9/3/14