

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
February 7, 2017

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on February 7, 2017 in the Central Office Board Room. Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo, called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Members Present: *Kathy Brown, Eric Couture, Susan Dean, Joanne Nesti, Suzanne Sack, Sue Twachtman, and Joel D'Angelo*

Members Absent: *Neal Perron, Dan Chase, Maura Wallin, and Jeannie Young*

Also Present: *Superintendent of School Howard Thiery, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Holly Hageman, Director of Finance, Martha Vaughn, Board Clerk, Kati Mohr and Board Clerk Trainee Jamie Sciascia*

Visitors: *11*

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Audience of Citizens

None

Report from Student Representatives

Kate Porter presented to the Board.

Board Committee Reports and Future Meetings

A. Facilities Subcommittee

Eric Couture reported that the subcommittee did not meet.

B. Finance Subcommittee

Suzanne Sack updated the Board.

C. Policy Subcommittee

Kathy Brown updated the Board.

D. Communications Subcommittee

Susan Dean updated the Board.

E. Personnel and Evaluation Subcommittee

Sue Twachtman updated the Board

F. Strategic Capital Planning Subcommittee

Suzanne Sack saved update for later in the agenda.

Board Liaison Reports

A. Healthy Communities – Healthy Kids Council

Susan Dean updated the Board.

B. LEARN

Suzanne Sack reported that the meeting for LEARN is this week.

C. Parks & Recreation

No report

D. Haddam Board of Selectmen

Lizz Milardo updated the Board.

E. Killingworth Board of Selectmen

No update

Old Business

A. High School Building Project

Superintendent Thiery updated the Board.

Consent Agenda

The donations on the Consent Agenda are made to the school system as a whole, and the Superintendent may direct any monies to specific schools or programs at his discretion.

- A.** Acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$500 from Pratt and Whitney to be used to buy raw materials, electronics and engines for the Team America Rocketry Challenge. Submitted by Principal Donna Hayward, Haddam Killingworth High School
- B.** Acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$800 from Trumpf to be earmarked for the electrathon program. Submitted by Principal Donna Hayward, Haddam Killingworth High School.
- C.** Acceptance of a new scholarship the Ann Secondino Scholarship in the amount of \$10,000. This scholarship will be renewed for up to three or more academic years for the same student. Submitted by Principal Donna Hayward, Haddam Killingworth High School.
- D.** Acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$121 from the Aetna Foundation. Submitted by Principal Dennis Reed, Killingworth Elementary School.
- E.** Acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$100 from the Haddam Junior Women's. Submitted by Principal Eric Larson. Burr Elementary School
- F.** Acceptance of a donation from Travelers for 100.40 to be deposited in the General Fund. Submitted by Martha Vaughn, Director of Finance.

- G. Acceptance of donation from United Way for \$30.50 to be deposited in the General Fund. Submitted by Martha Vaughn, Director of Finance.

*Susan Dean **MOVED** and Suzanne Sack **SECONDED** a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented with great appreciation. Motion passed 7-0-0 by the following votes:*

Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Chase	Absent	Neal Perron	Absent
Maura Wallin	Absent	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eric Couture	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Dean	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jeannie Young	Absent
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

New Business

A. Audit Presentation

*Sue Twachtman **MOVED** and Eric Couture **SECONDED** a motion to move Item 8A on the agenda up. Motion passed 7-0-0 by the following votes:*

Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Chase	Absent	Neal Perron	Absent
Maura Wallin	Absent	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eric Couture	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Dean	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jeannie Young	Absent
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

B. Strategic Capital Facilities Planning Committee Report

Suzanne presented the Strategic Capital Facilities Planning Committee Report to the Board.

From the Superintendent

A. Legislative Update

Superintendent Thiery updated the Board.

B. Personnel Report

Superintendent Thiery presented the Personnel Report.

C. Enrollment Report

Superintendent Thiery presented the Personnel Report.

From the Director of Fiscal Operations

A. Budget Transfers

Martha Vaughn presented proposed budget transfers to the Board.

Eric Couture **MOVED** and Sue Twachtman **SECONDED** a motion to approve the budget transfers as presented. Motion passed 7-0-0 by the following votes:

Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Chase	Absent	Neal Perron	Absent
Maura Wallin	Absent	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eric Couture	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Dean	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jeannie Young	Absent
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

Board Discussion/News/Suggestions

None

Public Comment

None

Board Chair Joel D'Angelo called for the meeting to adjourn at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kati Mohr
Board Clerk

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Kathy Brown, Secretary