

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION – EDUCATION SESSION
January 17, 2017

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on January 17, 2017 in the Haddam Killingworth Middle School Media Center. Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

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

Members Absent: Dan Chase, Neal Perron, Jeannie Young

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Holly Hageman

Visitors: 25 (approximately)

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BOE Celebration

Superintendent of Schools Howard Thiery recognized the Haddam Killingworth High School's Field Hockey and Boys Cross Country teams on their State Championships.

Public Comment

None.

Board Liaison Reports

A. Curriculum Council Update

The Council had no report.

B. Curriculum Subcommittee

Maura Wallin updated the Board. The main topic at the last meeting was the textbooks that are later in the agenda.

C. Finance Subcommittee

Suzanne Sack updated the Board. The subcommittee reviewed where we are year to date compared to the budget. Suzanne also informed the Board that the audit came in and there will be a presentation at the next Board meeting.

Old Business

A. High School Building Project

Superintendent of Schools Howard Thiery and Chairman of the Board Joel D'Angelo updated the Board. Joel D'Angelo reported that the Public Building Committee met for the first time. Superintendent Thiery reported that the meeting was in regards to the RFQP. Chairman of the Board Joel D'Angelo reported on the current members of the building committee and stated they are looking for two representatives from Haddam.

New Business

A. Textbook Approval

Dr. Holly Hageman discussed books; seeking approval for Auto: Auto Fundamentals and Small Gas Engines and for Pre-Calculus: Glencoe Pre-Calculus © 2014.

Maura Walling **MOVED** and Eric Couture **SECONDED** a motion to accept all textbooks as presented. The motion passed 8-0-0 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	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"/>
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. Administrator Contract Negotiations Update and Contract Approval

Sue Twachtman **MOVED** and Susan Dean **SECONDED** a motion to go to executive session to discuss contract negotiations. The motion passed 8-0-0 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	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"/>
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"/>

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:08 PM.

The Board returned to public session at 8:31 PM.

*Sue Twachtman **MOVED** and Maura Wallin **SECONDED** a motion to approve the HKAA 3-year contract for the period of 7/1/2017 through 6/30/2020. The motion passed 7-0-1 by the following votes:*

Kathy Brown
Dan Chase
Maura Wallin
Eric Couture
Susan Dean

YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐
Absent
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐

Joanne Nesti
Neal Perron
Suzanne Sack
Sue Twachtman
Jeannie Young
Joel D'Angelo

YES ☐ NO ☒ A ☐
Absent
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐
Absent
YES ☒ NO ☐ A ☐

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,



Kati Mohr
Board Clerk

Approval:  Date: 3/7/17
Kathy Brown, Secretary