

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
March 24, 2016**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on March 24, 2016 in the Central Office Board Room. Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo, called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

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

Members Absent: *Maura Cawley, Dan Chase, and Neal Perron*

Also Present: *Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, Director of Finance, Martha Vaughn, and Board Clerk Larissa Johnson*

Visitors: *9*

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

Discussion of the Superintendent's Proposed Budget 2016-2017

The Board discussed discontinuing its membership to CAFE for the 2016-2017 year for a savings of approximately \$15,000. The Board then discussed the request for additional coaches at the middle school, the proposed Mentor Study position at the high school, substitutes and talked about retirements and staffing. The Board then discussed Special Education costs with Superintendent Thiery and Pupil Services Director Tracy Geary. Superintendent Thiery and Tracy Geary gave information regarding Special Education processes and how outplacements are determined.

Discussion of Capital Budget

The Board discussed funding the Capital Fund at a rate of .5% in the amount of \$207,000 at the front of the 2016-2017 budget, rather than out of the fund balance at the end of the upcoming school year. The Board then reviewed items presented for capital needs and projects in the year 2016-2017 as well as future projects.

*Suzanne Sack **MOVED** and Sue Twachtman **SECONDED** a motion to approve all items on the 2016/2017 Capital Work list except the press box design, metal shop conversion, TV studio equipment upgrades, AV mixing boards, Chariot Floor Machine, CAD Lab, and truck with snowplow. 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 Cawley	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	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

The Board discussed the remaining items from the list of capital work for 2016/2017 in more detail, including the press box design, metal shop conversion, HKTV studio equipment upgrades, AV mixing boards for the high school and middle school auditoriums, the Chariot Floor Machine, CAD Lab, and snowplow truck.

Kathy Brown **MOVED** and Jeannie Young **SECONDED** a motion to approve all remaining items on the 2016/2017 Capital Work list including the press box design, metal shop conversion, TV studio equipment upgrades, AV mixing boards, Chariot Floor Machine, CAD Lab, and truck with snowplow. Motion passed 7-1-0 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 Cawley	Absent	Suzanne Sack	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" 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	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

Adjournment

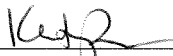
Board Chair Joel D'Angelo called for the meeting to adjourn at 8:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Larissa B. Johnson

Board Clerk

Approval:  Date: 4/5/16
Kathy Brown, Secretary