

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
10/6/20**

A special meeting of the Regional School District 17 Board of Education was held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, via Google Meets (Live Stream)

Members Present: Prem Aithal, Brenda Buzzi, Shawna Goldfarb, Joanne Nesti

Also in Attendance: Dr. Holly Hageman, Superintendent of Schools; Attorney Floyd Dugas, Board Counsel; Pamela Hensel, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools; Marie Illingworth, STA Transportation; Lisa Burr, STA Transportation; Parent

Call to Order: Ms. Nesti called the meeting to order at 10:03am for the purpose of hearing an appeal regarding an allegation of hazardous conditions at the school bus pick-up and drop-off stop at Ivy Road and Route 81 in Higganum. The parent had requested that buses travel the length of Ivy Road and Williamsburg Road to pick up and drop off students, rather than have students wait at the intersection with Route 81. The request was denied.

Ms. Nesti asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a student matter and inviting those in attendance to participate. Motion made by Ms. Buzzi, seconded by Ms. Goldfarb and passed unanimously. Executive Session began at 10:05am.

Board members returned to public session at 12:13pm and asked that further information be provided by STA and the Superintendent. The members asked to continue the hearing to a future date, once the additional information was provided.

Ms. Nesti adjourned the meeting at 12:30pm.

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
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OCTOBER 16, 2020**

A special meeting of the Regional School District 17 Board of Education was held on Friday, October 16, 2020, via Google Meets.

Members Present: Prem Aithal, Brenda Buzzi, Shawna Goldfarb, Joanne Nesti

Also in Attendance: Attorney Floyd Dugas, Board Counsel

Call to Order: Ms. Nesti called the meeting to order at 1:11pm. This meeting is a continuation of a hearing held on October 6, 2020, regarding an appeal of hazardous conditions at a school bus pick-up and drop-off site at Ivy Road and Route 81 in Higganum, with additional information having been provided by STA Transportation and the Superintendent of Schools.

Ms. Buzzi made a motion 1:13pm, seconded by Ms. Goldfarb, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a student matter and asked that Attorney Dugas be invited to participate. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board returned to public session at 1:20pm. Ms. Goldfarb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Aithal, finding that a hazardous condition, as defined in Board Policy #3541, does not exist at the site in question, and denying the appeal. It further authorizes the Board Chair, in consultation with Board Counsel, to draft a written decision to that effect. Motion approved unanimously.

Ms. Nesti adjourned the meeting at 1:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Joanne Nesti

Approval:

Jennifer Favalora, Secretary

Date