

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
(COMMUNITY INPUT)
March 16, 2021

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held March 16, 2021 in the Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate/Middle School Cafeteria and via Google Hangouts Meet Video Conference (Live Stream). Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

Members Present: *Peter Sonski, Joel D'Angelo (Via Remote), Jennifer Favalora, Shawna Goldfarb (Via Remote), Dr. Nelson Rivera (Via Remote), Eileen Blewett, Prem Aithal, Brenda Buzzi (Via Remote), Kathleen Zandi (Via Remote), Joanne Nesti and Suzanne Sack*

Members Absent: *None.*

Also Present: *Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Holly Hageman, Director of Finance, Ann Adriani, Director of Operations, John Mercier, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Donna Hayward (Via Remote), Assistant Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Adam Apicella (Via Remote), Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, Dolores Bates (Via Remote), Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, Eric Larson (Via Remote), Principal of Burr Elementary School, Brienne Whidden (Via Remote), Principal of Killingworth Elementary School, Dennis Reed (Via Remote), Director of Student Services, Dr. Kris Lindsay-Stevens (Via Remote), Student Services Coordinator, Tonya Gorgone (Via Remote), Curriculum Coordinators, Heather Rigatti (Via Remote) and Jennifer Beermuender (Via Remote), and Board Clerk, Jamie Sciascia (Via Remote)*

Online Guests: *Approximately 13*

The Board meetings are videotaped and posted on the RSD17 Website under Board of Education, BOE Meeting Schedules & Minutes for public viewing.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1x9ZWq1uiGbqgKhJpVNxUHL1ogzR3HdYM/view?usp=sharing>

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: *Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*

Chairman's Update on Public Board Meetings

Board Chair, Sack, updated the Board. She briefly went over the Community Input being held remotely and Budget Process.

Community Public Input on the Superintendent's Proposed Budget 2021-2022:

The following Community members addressed the Board regarding their comments in the 2021-2022 Proposed Budget:

Chris Williams of Haddam addressed the Board.

Kristen Battastoni of Haddam addressed the Board.

Dan Glynn of Higganum addressed the Board.

Chris and Carin Napoletano of Killingworth addressed the Board.

Jeff Sturges of Haddam addressed the Board.

Elizabeth Gagliardi of Killingworth addressed the Board.

Board Chair, Sack, paused to let any other Community members send in their comments.

The Budget information can be found on the RSD17 District Website which includes the Budget Workshops/Meeting Schedule, Superintendent's Presentation as well list of Community questions that have been answered.

Adjournment

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Sciascia

Board Clerk

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Jennifer Favalora, Secretary