

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING**

A special meeting of the Communications Subcommittee of Regional School District 17 Board of Education was held on February 2, 2022 at 4:13 p.m. at the Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate/Middle School Library/Media Center.

Members Present: Jen Favolora and Shawna Goldfarb (Chair)

Subcommittee Members Absent: Brenda Buzzi and Lisa Connelly

Guests: Superintendent of Schools, Jeffrey Wihbey and Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 4:13 p.m. by Shawna Goldfarb.

Agenda Item #2 – Discuss Goals for Communications Committee: The Committee discussed the different communications between the RSD17 District versus the BOE and Communication goals that can be both completed and sustained.

Agenda Item #3 – Brainstorming ideas for Better Communications between Stakeholders and Board Members: The Committee discussed ideas for communicating the functions of the BOE to the Community. Some ideas that were presented were Quarterly Newsletters, BOE Chair “State of the Union”, Social Media and Live Streaming of specific meetings. It was also discussed changing the way the Board handles Public Comment. Since all meetings are now open to the public, emails will no longer be read at the meetings unless there is a need to read it into record.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Shawna Goldfarb