



Region 14 Schools

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MINUTES

Special Meeting

Thursday, February 18, 2021

6:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

<https://ctreg14-org.zoom.us/j/93103198028>

Meeting ID: 931 0319 8028

Phone: (646) 558-8656

Present:

George Bauer, Chairman
Jim Crocker
Tikva Rose
Carol Ann Brown
Michael Devine
Jonathan Kapstein

Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Dr. Joseph Olzacki, Superintendent
Attorney Mark Sommaruga
Patricia Paige, Board Clerk
Patrick DiSarro, Communications Specialist

1. Call to Order

Mr. George Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Executive Session

Discussion and possible action on performance evaluation of the Superintendent
(Executive Session Anticipated)

A motion was made by Michael Devine and seconded by Tikva Rose to enter into executive session; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously. The board entered executive session at 6:08 p.m. and invited Attorney Mark Sommaruga and possibly Dr. Joseph Olzacki, Superintendent.

Public Session

The board returned to public session at 8:39 p.m.

Motions

A motion was made by Michael Devine and seconded by Tikva Rose to authorize the board counsel to retain an outside investigator to look into claims with respect to the performance of the superintendent in addition to the previously authorized investigation

into the superintendent's performance with respect to the vaccine program with said investigation to be completed within six weeks; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Michael Devine and seconded by Carol Ann Brown to place the superintendent of schools on administrative leave with pay effective immediately until further notice and/or pending the outcome of the investigation; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Tikva Rose and seconded by Michael Devine to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia Paige". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Patricia Paige
Board Clerk

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Patricia Paige, Board Clerk