

The Special Meeting of the Regional School District 14 Board of Education was held October 2, 2017 in the Central Office Conference Room, 67 Washington Ave, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present: Janet Morgan, Mary Ann Van Aken, George Bauer, Mike Devine, David Lampart, Wayne McAllister, Dr. Anna Cutaia-Leonard. Pam Zmek arrived at 6:17pm and Carol Ann Brown arrived at 6:18pm

Missing: John Chapman

Ms. Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. and asked for moment of silence in respect to those who lost their lives in Las Vegas.

Ms. Morgan recognized that the special meeting was put off from the intended date of September 30 as there wasn't a full agenda for tonight. She thanked those in attendance for using the time to have a workshop this evening.

**Goal #1:** All students will graduate equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to be prepared for a successful future in a global society.

Ms. Morgan asked the group how they liked the first goal. The goal still applies, objectives in curriculum are skill-based, students are all now leaving with a plan whether it is college, work, military service; still applies to what we want to do today

**Goal #2:** Regional School District 14 will attract, develop and retain the highest quality teachers, administrators and staff.

The BOE members like goal #2 and feel that the administration is doing a good job. Teachers are the region's #1 resource to help kids, the Director of HR is instrumental in this goal. The BOE didn't settle with an Italian teacher which shows we are really looking to attract the best staff. The discussion of quality of the region's candidate pool has improved over the last couple of years.

**Goal #3:** Regional School District 14 will provide a safe and secure facilities equipped with technology enabling a 21st century modern learning environment that mirrors our educational values.

It was decided to remove the word "modern" in goal #3. This goal will help guide our work moving forward with facilities, particularly with the District Advisory Committee.

The BOE had a lot of input from various perspectives when these goals were developed, a lot of work went into developing them and the BOE is happy with these. It is good to use these goals to support budget development. These are focused and concise. Ms. Morgan suggested that the BOE vote on these goals at the next meeting.

**Discussion of 18-19 budget:**

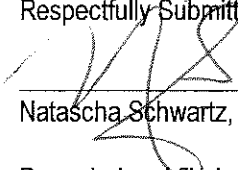
Dr. Anna reviewed the proposed budget calendar. There was a discussion on when to share the budget and the question came up on if the BOE should weigh in before the superintendent shares the proposed budget? It's good for parents to have the info too so elected officials can hear from them. Dr. Anna to get to small groups during the budget process to share the budget.

**Impact of current budget situation on 18-19 planning:**

The BOE discussed the possibility of having more meetings if/when the state budget is passed. There may be the need to hold a workshop in November to discuss the 18-19 planning further, depending on what happens with the current state budget.

Ms. Van Aken motioned to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Mr. Lampart. The *motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.*

Respectfully Submitted,



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Natascha Schwartz, BOE Clerk

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