

The Regular Meeting of the Regional School District 14 Board of Education was held February 6, 2017 at Nonnewaug High School, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present: Board members: Michael Devine, Carol Ann Brown, David Lampart, Maryanne Van Aken, Janet Morgan, Pam Zmek, John Chapman, Superintendent Dr. Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Director of Finance and Operations Wayne, Administrators Mike Rafferty, Kim Culkin, Principals Alice Jones, Jodie Roden, Susan Ruddock, Eric Bergeron, Vice Principals Bill Nemecek, Pamela Sordi, NHS Secretaries, music teachers, technology teachers and BOE clerk, Natascha Schwartz. Also in attendance were, WMS Student reps, parents of student reps, Music students, parents of music students, and various members of the community.

Missing: George Bauer

### 1. Call to Order

Ms. Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Morgan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. Student Rep representative reports;

Max Wolf and Emily Lungarini explained what they like about WMS.

### 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Ms. Morgan requested a *motion to approve the meeting minutes. Entered by Ms. Van Aken, seconded by Mr. Lampart, the motion carried 6-0-1, with Mr. Chapman abstaining.*

### 5. Superintendent's Report

- Region 14's Finest were named from NHS - Mrs. Jones & Ms. Morgan presented certificates to the NHS Secretaries: Lisa Gombos, Debbie Bernardi, Katie Simmons, Debbie Brown, Alice Pistrutto
- Ms. Perras gave a musical instruments presentation and students gave their viewpoints
- Mr. Rafferty presented the new Math Curriculum
- Technology update: Janet Martinello, Jamie McDevitt, Debra Benedict, and Todd Gorski gave a technology update presentation showcasing students who are involved in the Technology aspect.
- Preschool 2017-18 – The STAR preschool is moving to both of the elementary schools for logistics and more efficiency as it relates to the development of the children. Dr. Anna discussed the change in length of school day as the preschool will move to full time, that being 9:00am-3pm 4 days per week with a 1:35pm early dismissal on Wednesdays. The preschool will follow the regular school calendar and the region is currently in the process of researching and conducting an analysis on tuition.

## **6. Board Committee Reports**

**Finance** – As Mr. Bauer was not present, an update will be given at the next BOE meeting.

**Community Relations** – Ms. Zmek updated the BOE regarding the upcoming Community Conversation taking place on February 26, 2017.

**Building Committee** – Mr. Chapman gave an update regarding the building renovation project. The committee is rolling out the first draft of the phasing plan which will drive a lot of the schedule discussion. The building committee renovation project website is up and running and will be kept as up to date as possible.

**Wellness Committee** – Dr. Anna gave an update regarding the meeting that was held prior to the BOE meeting. The committee discussed a healthcare plan development for the 2017-18 school year, adopting practices to make things more consistent when it comes to communication with the bus company. The committee also discussed making further modifications to the approved snacks list. The next meeting will be held March 13, 2017.

## **7. Board Chair Comments** - none

## **8. Public Comment** -

Alicia Lorenzi – Math Teacher NHS for the past 7 years advised the BOE that she will be relocating to another state and expressed her deep gratitude to NHS and the Region for the opportunity to work with such a wonderful group of students and staff.

## **9. New Business**

- A. Dr. Anna presented the 2017-18 School Calendar for the first read. The proposed first day of school will be August 30, 2017, January 2, 2018 is being suggested as a day off, and June 13, 2018 is projected as the last day of school. The calendar will be voted on at next BOE meeting.
- B. Ms. Morgan requested a motion to approve the Nonnewaug High School Cheerleading National out-of-state trip to Myrtle Beach, SC. Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Lampart, the motion carried unanimously 7-0-0.
- C. Ms. Morgan requested a *motion to move into executive session for the purpose of a personnel matter; specifically, the Superintendent's mid-year evaluation.* Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Lampart, the motion carried unanimously 7-0-0.

The Board entered into executive session at 9:06pm. Ms. Morgan invited Dr. Anna into executive session.

The Board moved out of executive session at 9:36pm. No action was taken.

## **10. Adjournment**

Ms. Van Aken *moved to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Chapman.* Motion carried unanimously 7-0-0.  
Meeting was adjourned at 9:36pm

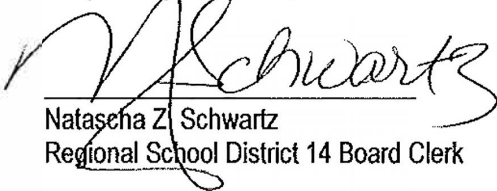
**Future Regular Meetings:**

Tuesday, February 21, 2016, Special BOE Meeting, 6:00 p.m., COCR (Scribe training for Community Conversation)  
Monday, March 6, 2017, Regular BOE Meeting, 7:00 p.m., NHS LMC  
Monday, March 20, 2017, Regular BOE Meeting, 7:00 p.m., NHS LMC

**Future Ad Hoc/Special Committee Meetings:**

Tuesday, February 7, 2017, Finance/Facilities Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., NHS LMC  
Tuesday, February 7, 2017, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC  
Tuesday, February 21, 2017, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC  
Friday, February 24, 2017, Safe Schools Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m., COCR  
Monday, February 28, 2017, Policy Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., NHS LMC  
Monday, March 13, 2017, Wellness Committee Meeting, 3:30 p.m., COCR

Respectfully Submitted,



Natascha Z. Schwartz  
Regional School District 14 Board Clerk

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Natascha Z. Schwartz, Board Clerk, 2/10/2017

