

Minutes of the Board of Education
Regional School District 14 www.ctreg14.org
11 July 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Regional School District Board of Education was held Monday, 11 July 2016, at Bethlehem Elementary School, East Street, Bethlehem, CT.

Present: Board members George Bauer, Carol Ann Brown, John Chapman, David Lampart, Michael Devine, Janet Morgan, Pam Zmek, and Maryanne Van Aken. Superintendent of Schools Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Ed.D., Director of Finance, Wayne McAllister, IT Director Phil Pagano, and Bethlehem Elementary School Principal Susan Ruddock.

Several members of the public including Bethlehem Selectman David Butkus.

1. Call to Order by Supt. Anna Cutaia-Leonard at 7:31 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Bauer.
3. Supt. called for nominations for Chairman of the Board of Education. George Bauer nominated Janet Morgan, Maryanne Van Aken seconded. Voted aye 8-0. Ms Morgan accepted and then conducted the remainder of the meeting.
4. Election of Board officers: Pam Zmek nominated Maryanne Van Aken to be Vice Chairman of the Board. Seconded by Dave Lampart. Voted 8-0 ayes.
Maryanne Van Aken nominated Carol Ann Brown to be secretary of the Board of Education. Seconded by George Bauer. Voted 8-0 ayes.
John Chapman nominated George Bauer to be treasurer of the Board of Education. Seconded by Maryanne Van Aken. Voted 8-0 ayes.
Maryanne Van Aken nominated Mike Devine to be the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Pam Zmek. Mr. Devine declined. Maryanne Van Aken then nominated Pam Zmek. Seconded by Mike Devine. Voted 8-0 ayes.
5. Board Appointments:
 - A. George moved that the board approve the appointment of Natascha Schwartz to be Board Clerk beginning 1 August 2016. Maryanne Van Aken seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
 - B. George Bauer moved that Andrea Needleman, MD, be health director at Mitchell Elementary School, Bethlehem Elementary School, and Woodbury Middle School. Seconded by Marvane Van Aken. Motion carried 8-0.
George Bauer moved that Charles McNair, MD, be appointed school physician at Nonnewaug High School. Seconded by Maryanne Van Aken. Motion carried 8-0.
 - C. George Bauer moved that James Bauer, DMD, be appointed school dentist. Seconded by Dave Lampart. Motion carried 8-0.
6. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Bauer moved to approve minutes of the regular board meeting of 11 July 2016. Seconded by Dave Lampart. Motion carried 7-0. 1 abstention.

7. Information and Proposa::

A. Board Committee Reports: John Chapman reported on the Building Committee stating that the 11 July meeting the architects their schematic design. O&G and SLAM will be getting cost estimatin; details.

B. Supt. Dr. Anna reported that work is in progress on the Math Curriculum and VoAg Curriculum.

C. Janet Morgan thanked George Bauer, outgoing chairman, for his service and looks forward to continuing to move the ball forward.

8. Privilege of the Floor: No public comment.

9. Business Requiring Board Action:

Maryanne Van Aken moved that Region 14 Board of Education approve Nonnewaug High School students to the Washington Leadership Conference in Washington, DC, July 19, 2016, through July 23, 2016, for 2 students and 1 chaperone (faculty member) via train and funded by students and through FFA Chapter funds. George Bauer seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Maryanne Van Aken moved that Region 14 Board of Education approve Nonnewaug High School student to the FFA Office Exchange Trip in New Mexico and Colorado, August 7, 2016, through August 17, 2016, for 13 students and 3 chaperones via plane and rented buses and funded by FFA Chapter Funds. Seconded by George Bauer. Discussion: 2 faculty and a parent all background checked, At least one of each sex. Pam Zmek rechecked that trips are paid for by the FFA funds. Motion passed 8-0.

10. Announcement of Future Meetings:

A. Monday, July 18, 2016, 5:30 PM Policy Meeting – added by John Chapman to precede the 6:30 PM Building Committee Meeting. NHS-LMC

B. Tuesday, July 26, 2016, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, NHS-LMC

C. Monday, August 22, 2016, Regular Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 PM, NHS-LMC

11. Adjournment: Before motion was made, Pam Zmek commented again on giving thanks to George Bauer for his service to the board as its chairman. Chairman Janet Morgan agreed and also promised to do weekly updates as to what's coming and going on each week. Maryanne Van Aken moved to adjourn. John Chapman seconded. Motion passed 8-0. Time: 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Brown, Secretary
Regional School District 14 Board of Education

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