

The Regular Meeting of the Regional School District 14 Board of Education was held Monday, October 3, 2016 at Nonnewaug High School, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present: Board members: George Bauer, Carol Ann Brown, Michael Devine, David Lampart, Maryann Van Aken, Pamela Zmek, Janet Morgan, John Chapman, Superintendent Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Ed.D., Director of Finance and Operations Wayne McAllister, Administrators: Kimberly Culkin, Michael Rafferty, NHS Principal Alice Jones, Wendy Yatsenick, student rep Alaina Marra, Merit Scholarship Commendation recipients Molly Humphreys, Iris Stumpf, and Board clerk Natascha Schwartz. Also in attendance were parents of the student rep as well as parents of the award recipients.

Absent: Christina Fensore

1. Call to Order

Ms. Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Morgan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Morgan introduced the student representative

3. Student Representative Report

Student rep Alaina Marra gave a brief overview of what is currently happening at NHS

Ms. Morgan requested a motion to add an item under new business

Ms. Van Aken moved to add to the agenda the approval of an October out-of-state field trip to Indianapolis, Indiana.

Seconded by Mr. Bauer, the motion carried unanimously 8-0-0.

4. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Morgan requested a *motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2016.*

Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Bauer, the motion carried 5-0-3.

5. Presentation of Letters of Commendation

Dr. Anna with the help of Ms. Morgan presented Molly Humphreys & Iris Stumpf with letters of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation

6. Superintendent's report

Dr. Anna was pleased to give an update regarding the Celebration of Arts Program for all ages and levels. She briefly touched on what is currently on the docket this year many of which are being made possible with the help from ASAP to get grants.

- Inter-district strings program
- 2nd Annual Inter-district Music Festival
- Drama club at Mitchell Elementary – play details to come
- Nurturing Young Artists Show for Pre-K to 2 Artists
- Art in the Community & Art Show
- Nonnewaug High School drama performance of Bye Bye Birdie
- 2nd Pre-K-12 Art Show

Dr. Anna also went over the calendar of Board of Education Topics for 2016-2017. Ms. Morgan requested that this calendar be made available on the Region 14 website for the public to view.

7. Board Committee Reports

- A. NHS Building – Mr. Chapman advised the schematic design should be complete by the 3rd week of October, budget reconciliation to be done and will be presented to the Board shortly thereafter.
- B. Community Relations – Ms. Zmek gave an update regarding the upcoming Community Conversation being held on November 6, 2016.
- C. Finance/Facilities – Mr. Bauer gave an update on the proposed budget calendar that was discussed during the finance/facilities committee meeting which was held prior to the BOE meeting.

8. Board Chair's Comments - None

9. Privilege of the Floor - None

10. New Business

- A. Mr. Bauer moved that the Region 14 Board of Education approve the Nonnewaug High School Agriscience students to attend the TCI Expo in Baltimore, Maryland from November 10, 2016 through November 12, 2016. Seconded by Ms. Van Aken. Discussion: Dr. Anna gave an update & additional information regarding cost, etc. **Motion carried unanimously 8-0-0.**
- B. Ms. Van Aken moved that the Region 14 Board of Education approve Nonnewaug High School Agriscience student to attend the National FFA convention in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 17, 2016 to October 22, 2016 for 51 students & 8 chaperones via Coach Bus and funded by the field trip account & by students. *Seconded by Mr. Bauer, the motion carried unanimously 8-0-0.*
- C. Dr. Anna went over draft budget calendar and noted changes.
- D. Mr. McAllister gave a quick update on what was presented during the finance/facilities meeting prior to the BOE meeting.
- E. Ms. Van Aken moved that the Region 14 Board of Education enter Executive session for the purpose of discussing the superintendent's evaluation. *Seconded by Mr. Bauer, the motion carried unanimously 8-0-0.* Dr. Anna invited into the executive session.

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:10 pm and ended the session at 8:41 pm.

11. Adjournment

Ms. Van Aken entered a *motion to adjourn*, seconded by Mr. Bauer. **Motion carried unanimously 8-0-0.**
The meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.


Future Regular Meetings:

Monday, October 17, 2016, Regular BOE Meeting, 7:30 p.m., BES
Monday, November 7, 2016, Regular BOE Meeting, 7:30 p.m., NHS LMC
Tuesday, November 22, 2016, Regular BOE Meeting, 7:30 p.m., NHS LMC

Future Ad Hoc/Special Committee Meetings:

Tuesday, October 11, 2016, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC - Cancelled
Monday, October 17, 2016, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., BES
Tuesday, October 18, 2016, Building Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC
Friday, October 28, 2016, Safety Ad hoc Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m., COCR
Monday, November 7, 2016, Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC
Monday, November 22, 2016, Public Relations Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., NHS LMC

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, 9/14/2016

