

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION - SPECIAL MEETING
June 07, 2022

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on June 7, 2022 in the Haddam-Killingworth High School Auditorium and via HK TV - Live Stream. Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Members Present: *Peter Sonski, Dr. Nelson Rivera, Corey Roberts, Jennifer Favalora, Hamish MacPhail, Brenda Buzzi, Shawna Goldfarb, Dr. Kathleen Zandi and Suzanne Sack*

Members Absent: *Joel D'Angelo & Lisa Connelly*

Also Present: *Superintendent of Schools, Jeffrey Wihbey (Via Remote), Director of Operations, John Mercier, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Donna Hayward, Assistant Principal of Haddam-Killingworth High School, Adam Apicella, Director of Student Services, Dr. Kris Lindsay, Student Services Coordinator, Tonya Gorgone, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, Dolores Bates, Principal of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, Eric Larson, Principal of Burr Elementary School, Brienne Whidden, Principal of Killingworth Elementary School, Dennis Reed, Curriculum Coordinator, Heather Rigatti*

Visitors: *Approximately 100*

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Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: *Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.*

Recognition Ceremonies:

A. Recognition of Haddam-Killingworth High School's Top Ten Students of the Class of 2022:

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, presented the Top Ten Students of the Class of 2022 as follows:

- No. 10: Kyla Mazzotta of Haddam*
- No. 9: Oliva Wettemann of Killingworth*
- No. 8: Libby Riggs of Haddam*
- No. 7: Madeline Keithan-Resnick of Higganum*
- No. 6: Olvia Swanson of Higganum*
- No. 5: Alexis Wettemann of Killingworth*
- No. 4: Jacqueline Flaherty of Killingworth*
- No. 3: Yumiko Imai of Haddam*
- No. 2: Benjamin Williams of Haddam, Salutatorian*
- No. 1: Duncan Beauchamp of Higganum, Valedictorian*

B. Recognition of District Retirees:

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, presented the Recognition of District Retirees as follows:

1. *Annie Atwood, of Burr District Elementary School, presented by Principal Brienne Whidden*
2. *Lisa Castlevetro, of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, presented by Principal Dolores Bates*
3. *Janet Kohm, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
4. *Carmella Kowalewski, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, presented by Principal Eric Larson*
5. *Laurie Kumnick, Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
6. *Jean Nolet, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
7. *Nancy McGee, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
8. *Alan Rice, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
9. *Susan Craffey, of Haddam Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*

C. Recognition of Staff Members of the Year:

1. *Pamela Quinley, of Burr Elementary School, presented by Principal Breinne Whidden*
2. *Megan Jenkins, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
3. *Carolyn Armstrong, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School presented Principal Eric Larson*
4. *Theresa Shimoda, of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, presented by Principal Dolores Bates*
5. *Laura Wade, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, presented by Principal Donna Hayward*
6. *Denis Recchia was named District Staff Member of the Year, presented by John Mercier*

D. Recognition of District Teachers of the Year:

1. *Rebecca Harkin, of Burr Elementary School, presented by Principal Brienne Whidden*
2. *Donna Jones, of Killingworth Elementary School, presented by Principal Dennis Reed*
3. *Heather Barse, of Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School, presented by Principal Eric Larson*
4. *Leanne Honious, of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, presented by Principal Dolores Bates*
5. ***Ryan Kish, of Haddam-Killingworth High School, was named Regional School District No. 17 Teacher of the Year, presented by Principal Donna Hayward.***

Adjournment:

Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called for the meeting to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Sciascia

Board Clerk

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Joel D'Angelo, Secretary