

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Region 14 Board of Education
Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
Flanders Room
Mitchell Elementary School
14 School Street, Woodbury, CT

Present:

Jim Crocker, Chairman
Jonathan Kapstein
Tikva Rose
Christopher Griffin
David Butkus
Carol Ann Brown
Michael Devine

Absent:

Chris Matta

Also Present:

Wayne McAllister, Acting Superintendent
Tina Tanguay, Director of Finance and Operations
Patricia Paige, Recording Clerk

I. Call to Order

Board Chairman Jim Crocker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

III. Introductions

The Board members introduced themselves

IV. Approval of the Minutes

A. Regular meeting, Monday, July 11, 2022

A motion was made by Jonathan Kapstein and seconded by Michael Devine to accept/approve the minutes as presented; David Butkus abstained; motion carried.

V. Acting Superintendent's Report

A. The complete Personnel Report was tabled for the August 15th meeting. Mr. McAllister did note that interviews for two open positions, Agriscience Technology and Middle School Music will be occurring this week.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Curriculum Committee

Committee chair Jonathan Kapstein indicated that members met last Friday, July 29th. He asked that the following textbook and curricula be approved:

1. *Where I Live Connecticut* (Textboo)

Jim Crocker made a motion; seconded by Carol Ann Brown; to accept/approve the textbook as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

2. Wellness 1, Grade Level 9/10
Jim Crocker made a motion to accept/approve the curriculum as presented; seconded by Jonathan Kapstein; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.
3. Wellness 2, Grade Level 9/10
Jim Crocker made a motion to accept/approve the curriculum as presented; seconded by Jonathan Kapstein; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.
4. Wellness Health, Grade Level 11/12
Jim Crocker made a motion to accept/approve the curriculum as presented; seconded by Jonathan Kapstein; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.
5. Wellness PE, Grade Level 11/12
Jim Crocker made a motion to accept/approve the curriculum as presented; seconded by Jonathan Kapstein; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

B. Public Relations Committee

Ms. Brown reported that the 102nd Anniversary of the Ellis Clark Vo-ag program was being celebrated on August 26th and 27th; she encouraged members to attend. She also wished former staff member Tyler Cremeans the best of luck in his new position in the Region 12 School District and paid homage to All-State Champions, Jack Wendel and Samantha Fall.

VII. Board Chair Comments

A workshop/orientation is tentatively planned for mid-September. Agenda topics will include FOIA and how to broaden communications.

Mr. Crocker thanked the board members for their contribution of time and effort.

He also addressed a fundraising raffle sponsored by the Nonnewaug Booster Association in support of football. The prize, which contains several bottles of alcohol, was brought to the attention of the administration and is being addressed. Mr. Crocker, though very appreciative of the support, was clear that alcohol would not be allowed on school premises per board policy and state law.

VIII. Privilege of the Floor

There was none

IX. Old Business

A. Revised 2022/2023 School Calendar

The calendar was revised to include January 2, 2023 as part of the winter break and to recognize the New Year state holiday.

A motion was made by David Butkus and seconded by Tikva Rose to make the change in the 2022/2023 calendar to add January 2, 2023 as a holiday and end school on June 14, 2023 tentatively;

Further Discussion

Mr. Devine expressed his concern regarding the absence of built-in days to accommodate inclement weather days.

It has been the experience of both Acting Superintendent Wayne McAllister and newly appointed Superintendent Brian Murphy that snow dates are not built into the calendar.

All in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

X. New Business

A. 2022/2023 BoE Committee Assignment

Committee member assignments were appointed based on preference, critical expertise, representation from both communities and experience.

B. Resolution for ION Bank

A motion was made by Jim Crocker and seconded by Jonathan Kapstein to adopt a resolution for ION Bank to authorize the removal of James Crocker and to add Tikva Rose and Tina Tanguay to the following ION Bank Accounts ending in:

2331 General Fund
2258 School Lunch Deposit
2282 Student Activities
2426 Principal Activities

All in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

XI. Other Business

None

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Michael Devine and seconded by Tikva Rose to adjourn the meeting; all were in favor; the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia Paige". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

*Patricia Paige
Board Clerk*

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Patricia Paige, Board Clerk