

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
24 Lyon Road, Burlington, CT 06013
Monday, August 21, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Scott Ragaglia, Chairman
Paul Omichinski, Treasurer
Melanie Wilhelm, Secretary
Dean Cowger
Cassandra DuBois
Zach Rankin
Matthew Szydlo
John Vecchitto

Absent:

Thomas Fausel
Scott Savelle, Vice Chair

Also Present:

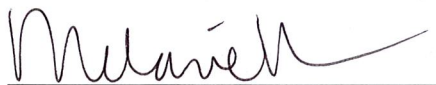
Howard Thiery, Superintendent
Vonetta Romeo Rivers, Director of Teaching and Learning
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Kelly Lyder, Board Clerk

<i>Call to Order</i>	The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Scott Ragaglia, at 7:00 pm.
<i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
<i>Region 10 Recognition</i>	<u>Region 10 Teacher of the Year:</u> Laura Faga, was presented with a certificate of recognition by the Chairman of the Board and congratulated as RSD 10 Teacher of the Year. <u>Years of Service Recognition:</u> Faculty and staff of RSD 10 that have achieved their milestone years of service with the district were recognized and congratulated.
<i>Communication</i>	<u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Superintendent Thiery reported on the plans for opening of the school including the hiring of new staff. This week RSD 10 will be holding an orientation for new faculty. Teachers will be starting on Monday, August 28th.

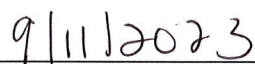
	<u>Board Chair Report:</u> Chairman Ragaglia is looking forward to working with the Board this school year and hopes that everyone had an enjoyable summer.
<i>Approval of Minutes</i>	A <i>motion</i> was made by Matt Szydlo and seconded by Zach Rankin to accept/approve the June 12, 2023; minutes as presented. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Consent Agenda</i>	<u>Approval of the Financial Report dated June 30, 2023 and July 31, 2023</u> <u>Personnel Report:</u> A <i>motion</i> was made by John Vecchitto and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to accept/approve the consent agenda as presented. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Public participation</i>	Barbara Bigos – 315 Wildcat Hill Rd. Harwinton, CT John Bigos – 315 Wildcat Hill Rd. Harwinton, CT Melissa Jasch – 489 Wildcat Hill Rd. Harwinton, CT Michael R. Criss - 224 Scoville Hill Harwinton, CT
<i>Business</i>	<u>Vo-Tech and Vo-Ag Transportation:</u> The Board discussed the recent change to transportation schedule for Vo-Tech and Vo-Ag students. Superintendent Thiery and Director of Facilities & Operation answered and addressed questions or concerns asked by the Board. <u>HCS Window Cling Donation Update:</u> A motion was made by Matt Szydlo and seconded by John Vecchitto to move the HCS window cling donation to an action item on the agenda. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Action Items</i>	<u>Lewis Mills 2024 Graduation Date:</u> A <i>motion</i> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to set the Lewis Mills graduation date on June 11, 2024. 7 in favor; 1 opposed; motion passed. <u>Ratification of the secretaries' contract:</u> Board members noted to hold this action item in executive session. <u>Lewis Mills Donation – Basketball shot clocks in Gym:</u> A <i>motion</i> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Matt Szydlo to accept the Lewis Mills Basketball shot clock donation. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed. <u>HCS Window Cling Donation:</u> A <i>motion</i> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to accept the Harwinton Consolidated School window clings donation all in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Board Committee Reports</i>	<u>Ad Hoc Athletic Strategic Planning</u> – no updates

	<u>Building Committee</u> – Nothing to report. <u>Curriculum</u> – No report. <u>Communication</u> – No report. <u>Facilities</u> – No report at this time. <u>Finance</u> – No report at this time. <u>Policy</u> – Next meeting is scheduled for October 12th. <u>Security</u> – Have not met. <u>Superintendent's Evaluation</u> – Planning to schedule a meeting. <u>Technology</u> – Have not met.
<i>Liaisons</i>	<u>CREC</u> – John Vecchitto shared with the Board that Phil Penn, CFO Hartford Public Schools, is planning to leave.
<i>Upcoming Meetings</i>	Board of Education Regular meeting; Monday, September 11, 2023; 7:00pm.
<i>Executive Session</i>	A <u>motion</u> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Cassandra DuBois for the Board to enter into executive session to exclude the public and press, inviting Director of Finance & Operations and the Superintendent to discuss the secretaries' contract at 8:20 pm; all were in favor; none opposed; motion passed. <u>Secretarial Contract:</u> A <u>motion</u> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Melanie Wilhelm to approve the secretaries' contract; all in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Adjourn</i>	A <u>motion</u> was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to adjourn the executive session at 8:36 pm; all in favor; none opposed; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Lyder, Board Clerk



Melanie Wilhelm, Secretary



Date

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Additionally, Robert's Rules in brief advises "The name and subject of a guest speaker or other program may be given, but no summary of the talk." [RONRIB page 149]

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