



**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Date: January 18, 2024**

The Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education meeting was held on January 18, 2024, in the Haddam-Killingworth Middle School Cafeteria.

Board Member Attendance:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Prem Aithal		X	Dr. Nelson Rivera		X
Lisa Connelly	X		Corey Roberts	Remote	
Jennifer Favalora	X		Suzanne Sack	X	
Shawna Goldfarb	X		Jennifer Voegtli	X	
Hamish MacPhail	Remote		Dr. Kathleen Zandi	X	
Heather Pach	X				

Also Present: Superintendent Jeff Wihbey, Finance/Operations Director Ben Whittaker, Board Administrator Sarah Kaiser, Brianna Hill, Rob Albert, Killingworth First Selectmen Eric Couture, Killingworth Board of Selectmen Members Eric Nunes and Joel D’Angelo, Killingworth Board of Finance Members Annie Stirna, Sara O’Brien, Michael Kovacs (remote), William Kosturko, and Tara Amatrudo, Haddam Board of Selectmen Members Kate Anderson and Peter Baird, Haddam Board of Finance Members Joseph Centifanti, Marijean Conrad (left 6:45), Gigi Simko, Emily Carrow (remote), Ryan Thompson, and Constance Pullman (remote), Haddam Finance Director Ann Harter, Jack Butkus from Arcadis.

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board Chair Suzanne Sack called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Joint Meeting of the Board of Education, Boards of Finance, and Boards of Selectmen for Haddam and Killingworth - Capital Master Planning for Regional School District 17:



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Suzanne Sack presented an update on the Regional School District 17 Master Plan to the Town Boards. Board Chair Sack provided a background summary of the process to date.

Board Chair Sack, Superintendent Wihbey, and Director Whittaker presented to the Town Boards the updated considered options and discussed the following areas:

- Current Building/Campus options for consideration
- Project Goals
- Cost and Impact Summary
- Health and safety considerations
- Instructional improvements
- Continuous capital improvement plan
- Timeline Outlook

A discussion between all boards about the district's master capital plan options, the towns' questions and concerns, and the board of education's next steps took place directly after.

Adjournment

Board Chair Sack adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Kaiser
Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Dr. Kathleen Zandi, Board Secretary