

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

24 Lyon Road, Burlington, CT 06013

Monday, February 12, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Scott Ragaglia, Chairman

Scott Savelle, Vice Chair

Melanie Wilhelm, Treasurer

Cassandra DuBois, Secretary

Amy Boisvert

Matt Cummings

Rachel McFadden

Matthew Szydlo

Absent:

Thomas Fausel

Victoria Basile

Avery Dube, Senior at Lewis Mills

Also Present:

Howard Thiery, Superintendent

Vonetta Romeo Rivers, Director of Teaching and Learning

Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations

Kelly Lyder, Board Clerk

Cameron Smith, Junior at Lewis Mills

<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>Communication</i>	<u>Student Representatives' Report:</u> <u>Cameron Smith</u> shared with the Board that the Jr. class continues to have post-secondary planning meetings with their school counselors. Winter sports are winding down. The Girls Track team placed 17th overall and Boys placed 12th overall at State Championships this past weekend. <u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Superintendent Thiery introduced and recognized a Lake Garda student who is a winner of the CT Senator Christopher Murphy 2024 Martin Luther King Jr. essay writing contest.

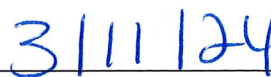
	The Superintendent discussed with the Board a program EdAdvance is introducing. The program will provide high school students with a college and career acceleration opportunity. Students will be able to earn college credits from local community colleges with a focus on manufacturing, childcare and nursing assistance. More information will be provided to the Board as the process of the program continues. Superintendent Thiery updated the Board on the search process for a HCS Principal. Board Chair Report: Chairman Ragaglia thanked Margaret, the RSD 10 Communication Specialist, on a well-done job of the most recent issue of the School Bell. He also thanked everyone for their input on this spectacular version of the School Bell. The Chairman reminded everyone that the Youth and Community nomination letter will be emailed soon.
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made by Scott Savelle and seconded by Matt Cummings to accept/approve the January 8, 2024, minutes. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
Consent Agenda	Approval of the Financial Report dated January 31, 2024, and Personnel Report: A motion was made by Scott Savelle and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to accept/approve the consent agenda as presented. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
Public participation	No one from the public chose to speak.
Business	Updated Shipman & Goodwin Board policies: The updated version of Board policies was a first read for the Board. The policies will be an action item on next month's agenda. Textbook recommendation: U. S. History 11th grade: The Board reviewed and discussed the recommended U.S. History textbook. New Kindergarten Enrollment Eligibility Update: The Superintendent & Director of Teaching & Learning updated the Board on the new Kindergarten enrollment eligibility and the enrollment process at RSD 10.
Action Items	Donation- Lewis Mills Girls Basketball Program: A motion was made by Melanie Wilhelm and seconded by Scott Savelle to accept/approve the Lewis Mills Girls Basketball Program donation. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.

	<u>Donation- HCS 4th Gr. Field Trip:</u> A motion was made by Cassandra DuBois and seconded by Matt Szydlo to accept/approve the HCS 4th grade field trip donation. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed. <u>District Calendar:</u> A motion was made by Scott Savelle and seconded by Rachel McFadden to accept/approve the 25-26 School year District Calendar. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Board Committee Reports</i>	<u>Ad Hoc Athletic Strategic Planning</u> – The committee will be meeting to review a request from Lewis Mills. <u>Building Committee</u> – The committee is planning to meet along with the facilities committee in March. <u>Curriculum</u> – A meeting was held on January 30th. The committee discussed the new U.S. History textbook recommendation and the new program introduced by EdAdvance. <u>Communication</u> – The committee met this evening to discuss different ways to engage the community to attend BOE meeting. <u>Facilities</u> – The facilities committee will be meeting along with the building committee in March. <u>Finance</u> – Committee is scheduled to meet February 21st. <u>Policy</u> – The committee will reconvene if necessary for any updates to the policies presented at tonight's meeting. <u>Security</u> – Committee is working on scheduling a meeting for the end of February. <u>Superintendent's Evaluation</u> – Have not met. <u>Technology</u> – Committee is scheduled to meet March 11th.
<i>Liaisons</i>	<u>CREC</u> – Nothing to report.
<i>Upcoming Meetings</i>	Board of Education workshop; Monday, February 26, 2024; 6:30pm.
<i>Adjourn</i>	A motion was made by Scott Savelle and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to adjourn at 8:23 pm; all in favor; none opposed; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Lyder, Board Clerk



Cassandra DuBois, 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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