REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7

Newbury Library Media Center
Board of Education Meeting
April 9, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

MOTIONS

PRESENT: Chair Ms. Molly Sexton Read (B), Vice-Chair Mr. Robert Jerram (NH), Ms. Deborah Bell (N), Ms. Terri Kenneson (C), Ms. Kim Crone (N), Ms. Mary Duran (B), Superintendent Steven K. LePage, Secretary / Treasurer Mr. Noel Gauthier (NH), Director of Finance & Operations Mr. James Gaskins, Ms. Lisa Fragale (C), High School Principal Gary Franklin, Middle School Principal Ryan Cornelius, and Student Representatives Amaya Washington and Owen Langer.
Absent: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Sexton Read called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

PUBLIC PORTION: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Kenneson, seconded by Ms. Bell, to **APPROVE** the March 26th, 2025 Norfolk Presentation Meeting Minutes as presented. **AYE**: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** Ms. Lisa Fragale. **MOTION PASSED**.

MOTION by Ms. Kenneson, seconded by Ms. Bell, to **APPROVE** the March 26th, Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes as amended. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** Ms. Fragale. **MOTION PASSED.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Bell, to **APPROVE** the New Hartford Presentation Meeting Minutes as presented. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Ms. Duran, Ms. Crone. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** Ms. Fragale, Ms. Kenneson.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Fragale, to **ADOPT** the 2025-2026 Regional School District No.7 Proposed Budget of $24,824,729.00 representing a 2.29% increase above the 2024-2025 Adopted Budget to take to the Annual Regional Budget Hearing on April 21st,2025. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

MOTION by Ms. Kenneson, seconded by Mr. Gauthier to **APPROVE** the Board of Education Budget Transfers as presented by Mr. James Gaskins Director of Finance. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

MOTION by Ms. Kenneson, seconded by Ms. Fragale to **CANCEL** the April 23rd, 2025 Regular Board of Education Meeting. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

MOTION by Ms. Kenneson, seconded by Ms. Bell to **SCHEDULE** a Special Board of Education Meeting following the Budget Hearing on April 21st, 2025. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Bell to enter **EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 6:58pm. **AYE:** Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Bell, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Crone, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

OLD BUSINESS
None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr.Jerram, seconded by Ms. Fragale, to **ADJOURN** at 7:30p.m. **AYE**: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Ms. Kenneson, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Duran. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION PASSED.**

The next BOE Meeting is scheduled for April 21st, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Vacila
Board Clerk