



**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
October 9, 2025**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on October 9, 2025, in the Central Office Board Room.

Board Member Attendance:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Joseph Centofanti (remote)	X		Corey Roberts		X
Sonja Charpentier (6:03 pm)	X		Suzanne Sack		X
Lisa Connelly	X		Ben Sodergren		X
Jennifer Favalora	X		Jennifer Voegtli	X	
Shawna Goldfarb (remote)	X		Dr. Kathleen Zandi	X	
Heather Pach	X				

Also Present: Interim Superintendent Paul K. Smith, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Sarah Kaiser, Jack Butkus of Arcadis U.S., Inc. (5:43 pm), and Matt Ritter of Shipman and Goodwin

Visitors: 0

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board Secretary Dr. Kathleen Zandi called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Discussion on bonding and space waiver for High School Building Project

The Superintendent began the discussion by giving an overview of the High School Building Project. He explained the total square footage and highlighted the specific areas that would need a space waiver. The Board then discussed the space waiver and bonding process and asked process and timeline with Matt Ritter. He provided insight on how the space waiver process

works and what the state requires. He also reviewed the steps involved in the bonding process, including timelines and the need for a public vote (referendum).

Board members asked questions about the financial impact, timing, and how to explain the project clearly to the public. There was agreement that strong communication will be important as the project moves forward.

Matt Ritter left the meeting at 6:10 pm.

Jack Butkus provided a status update pertaining to the status of procuring an architect for the project.

Adjournment

Board Secretary Zandi adjourned the meeting at 6:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Kaiser
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

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