



REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
October 28, 2025

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on October 28, 2025, in the Haddam-Killingworth High School Community Room.

Board Member Attendance:

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

Also Present: Interim Superintendent Paul K. Smith, Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Miller, Director of Student Services Dr. Aaron Puzarne, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Sarah Kaiser, Principal Donna Hayward, Interim Principal Heather Persson, Principal Eric Larson, Principal Dennis Reed, Principal Brienne Whidden, Assistant Principal Kelly Brown, Assistant Principal Steven Fitzgerald, Curriculum Coordinators Heather Rigatti and Jennifer Beermuender, Student Services Coordinator Tonya Gorgone, and Elementary Coordinator Rebecca Templeton

Visitors: 0

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board Chair Suzanne Sack called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Chair asked Dr. Sullivan-Kowalski to join the meeting during the District presentations.

District Continuous Improvement Plan 2025-2026

Assistant Superintendent Miller provided an overview of the District's continuous improvement plan goals, explaining that the District's strategic operating plan drives it. She presented key areas of each goal section.

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Principals Dennis Reed and Brienne Whidden presented the CIP Presentation for Killingworth Elementary School and Burr Elementary School.

Principal Eric Larson presented the CIP Presentation for Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate School.

Interim Principal Heather Persson and Interim Assistant Principal Steven Fitzgerald presented the CIP Presentation for Haddam-Killingworth Middle School.

Principal Donna Hayward and Assistant Principal Kelly Brown presented the CIP presentation for Haddam-Killingworth High School.

Director Aaron Puzarne presented the CIP presentation for Student Services.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Kaiser
Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

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