

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
24 Lyon Road, Burlington, CT 06013
Monday, November 10, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Scott Savelle, Chairman
Thomas Fausel, Vice Chairman
Melanie Wilhelm, Treasurer
Cassandra DuBois, Secretary
Victoria Basile
Amy Boisvert-Baltrush
Matt Cummings
Rachel McFadden
Scott Ragaglia
Matthew Szydlo

Absent:

Also Present:

Fran Thompson, Superintendent
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Vonetta Romeo-Rivers, Director of Teaching and Learning
Debra Foley, Director of Student Services
Natalie Sliwka, Senior at Lewis Mills
John Osowiecki, Junior at Lewis Mills

<i>Call to Order</i>	The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Scott Savelle, at 7:00 p.m.
<i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
<i>Region 10 Recognition</i>	Officer Robert Russell and Maverick were recognized for bringing support and joy to all the Region 10 Schools. Har-Bur Middle School BEST program's coffee cart students and staff were recognized for providing a great service and demonstrating an innovative spirit in Region 10.
<i>Communication</i>	<u>Student Representatives' Report:</u> <u>Natalie Sliwka</u> shared with the Board several recent events involving Lewis Mills students. Senior Halloween was a great success, with a senior parade through the school in Halloween costumes. Students have also reached the end of the first quarter. In athletics, the girls' soccer team has advanced to the semifinals.

Communication Continued	<u>John Osowiecki</u> reported to the Board that November 13th is the first evening of parent-teacher conferences. He also shared that the Lewis Mills Auditorium will host the performances of <i>Annie</i> on November 21 – 23. In addition, seniors have begun using the new platform for applying to colleges by submitting applications. <u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Superintendent Thompson thanked the Lake Garda PTA for their recent donation supporting the 2nd Grade field trip to the Roaring Brook Nature Center. On October 30, he attended a Civic Action Project, where Lewis Mills students focused on creating positive changes within the local and school communities. The Region 10 Players will be presenting <i>Annie</i> from November 21–23 at the Lewis Mills Auditorium. A reminder on December 18, the Lewis Mills Auditorium will be dedicated to John A. Deeb at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Band Concert at 7:00 p.m. <u>Board Chair Report:</u> Chairman Savelle recently discussed with the Superintendent the issue of excess school desks that have not been used for many years, noting that they are not the preferred style for current classrooms. The district is exploring options for donating these desks. Chairman Savelle expressed appreciation for all the efforts within the schools to recognize and honor Veterans in observance of Veterans Day. Following the recent election, Chairman Savelle noted that he will be reviewing the Board committees chair positions and may make some adjustments as needed.
Approval of Minutes	A motion was made by Scott Ragaglia and seconded by Matt Szydlo to accept/approve October 20, 2025, minutes with edits discussed. 9 in favor; none opposed; 1 abstain; motion passed.
Consent Agenda	Approval of the Financial Report dated October 31, 2025, and Personnel Report: A motion was made by Victoria Basile 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	<u>BOE Regular Meeting Schedule 2026-2027</u> – this item will appear as an action item on next month's agenda. <u>Donation Lake Garda Enrichment Program</u> - A motion was made by Scott Ragaglia and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to move the HCS donation to Action item C on the agenda All in favor; none opposed; motion passed. <u>Bonding discussion</u> - Director of Finance and Operations, Susan Laone, and Superintendent Thompson presented to the Board proposed bond projects for the Lewis Mills football field and 2nd HVAC upgrade.

<i>Business Continued</i>	<u>Continuous Improvement Presentation, Lewis Mills</u> – The Lewis Mills High School Principal, Chris Rau presented the 2024- 2025 student achievement data and their 2025-2026 School Continuous Improvement Plan. <u>Continuous Improvement Presentation, Student Services</u> - The Director of Student Services, Debra Foley presented the 2025-2026 school year Continuous Improvement plan for the department of Student Services.
<i>Action Items</i>	A motion was made by Melanie Wilhelm and seconded by Matthew Szydlo to approve the BOE budget schedule for 2025-2026. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed. A motion was made by Victoria Basile and seconded by Scott Ragaglia to approve Policy 4417 & 5118. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed. A motion was made by Victoria Basile and seconded by Rachel McFadden to accept the donation for Lake Garda Enrichment program. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
<i>Board Committee Reports</i>	<u>Athletic Strategic Planning</u> – Nothing to report <u>Building Committee</u> – Nothing to report <u>Curriculum</u> – The committee is scheduled to meet November 18th. <u>Communication</u> – Have not met. <u>Facilities</u> – Working with schedules to plan a meeting soon. <u>Finance</u> – Have not met. <u>Policy</u> –The committee did not meet this month; however, at the last meeting they reviewed the two policies that were approve by the Board this evening. <u>Security</u> – Have not met. <u>Superintendent's Evaluation</u> – Have not met. <u>Technology</u> – The committee met this evening and received a status update on the District AI framework and the communications rollout. Members also discussed the realignment of the Instructional Technology Coach role to better align Teaching and Learning within the district. In addition, the committee began discussions regarding budget considerations for the 2026–2027 school year.
<i>Upcoming Meetings</i>	Board of Education Regular meeting; Monday, December 8, 2025; 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn	A motion was made by Scott Ragaglia and seconded by Cassandra DuBois to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. All in favor; none opposed; motion passed.
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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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