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MISSION STATEMENT

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**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
PLYMOUTH BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
TERRYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
33 NORTH HARWINTON AVENUE
TERRYVILLE, CT 06786**

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026

6 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mr. Bourbonniere, Chair; Mr. Showers, Mrs. Palmer, and Mr. Perugino

Also Present: Mr. Tencza, Business Manager and Mr. Falcone, Superintendent

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1. Call to Order & Pledge to the Flag

Mr. Bourbonniere, Chair, called the Special Meeting of the Plymouth Board of Education Finance & Operations Committee to order at 6 p.m. The group joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: To entertain a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Mr. Showers, Second Mrs. Palmer, any discussion, if none, all in favor, any opposed, any abstentions, motion carries.

3. Topics

(a) Plymouth Center School Walk Through

Mr. Bourbonniere summarized the walkthrough of Plymouth Center School. He thanked the other board members who participated in the walkthrough, Mr. Perugino, Mr. Foote, & Mrs. Corry. Mr. Bourbonniere called the walkthrough eye-opening regarding the

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amount of damage caused by the leaking roof. There were numerous missing ceiling tiles, barrels in the hallways, and prominent staining of walls in addition to the damaged fire control board. An update was provided by Mr. Tencza on progress made in identifying a solution for the roof area. He also noted that since all the snow has melted, there has not been any additional water leakage of the roof.

(b) Update on Heat Pumps at Harry S. Fisher Elementary School

Mr. Tencza provided an updated estimate to replace the heat pumps at Harry S. Fisher Elementary School. The new estimate for the replacement is \$253,937.00, less \$37,700.00 in Eversource incentives leaving a net cost of \$216,237.00. Mr. Tencza reported that by using the DRIP funds of \$98,223.46 there would be an approximate balance of \$118,013.54. He is recommending the project be moved forward and use the 2% non-lapsing account to cover the balance.

(c) Discussion: Possible Use of Non-Lapsing Account to Address the Heat Pump Issue at Harry S. Fisher Elementary School

Committee members held a discussion about the use of the 2% non-lapsing account for this project and there was some concern that using the account will set precedence for the schools to take on a project of this size. The committee agreed to bring the issue to the full board for discussion.

(d) Conversation concerning damage incurred at Terryville High School, Eli Terry Jr. Middle School, Harry S. Fisher Elementary School, and Plymouth Center School parking lots due to the increase in snowstorms this winter.

Mr. Tencza updated the committee on discussions with the town to make repairs to our parking lots after a difficult winter. He expressed thanks to the Public Works Department for removing all the damaged curbing in our lots and explained a plan was in the works for repairs to be made.

(e) Summary of Nurse's Union Contract Negotiations

Mr. Tencza updated the committee on the Nurses Contract negotiations. In summary the contract has been settled, and both parties are satisfied with the results. Once the final health insurance renewals are completed, the contract will be forwarded to the board for approval.

(f) Replacement of Carpet at Harry S. Fisher Elementary School

Mr. Tencza reported that the carpet at the Harry S. Fisher Elementary School library has been replaced and it was well overdue. The cost was a little over \$12,000.00 and was funded through our custodial and maintenance contract. Once again, HES has assisted us with completing smaller building maintenance needs.

(g) Status of Playscape at Plymouth Center School

Mr. Tencza reported on the new playscape for PCS. The equipment has been ordered, and we expect delivery in 6 to 8 weeks. The Superintendent reported that he is working with the Mayor and has offered to donate the existing playscape to the town to be used at another location. In the event the town does not want the playscape, the Boys and Girls Club of Bristol may be interested.

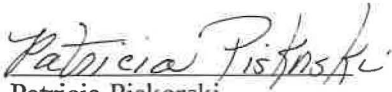
(h) Summary of Forecasted Budget End of the Year

Mr. Tencza reported that based on his most recent forecast, he believes there will be a small surplus of approximately \$100,000.00 at the end of the fiscal year. While Mr. Tencza remains optimistic, there are still many variables out there to consider.

4. Adjournment

MOTION: To entertain a motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. Motion Mrs. Palmer, second Mr. Showers all in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Piskorski

Recording Secretary

For the Plymouth Board of Education

Finance & Operations Committee