

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
DISTRICT MEETING
March 30, 2016**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

		Weighted Vote <u>Per Member</u>
<i>Beacon Falls...</i>	Priscilla Cretella	.7
	Christine Arnold	.7
	Sheryl Feducia	.7
	David Rybinski	.7
<i>Prospect...</i>	Robert Hiscox	1.3
	Nazih Noujaim	1.3
	Roxann Vaillancourt	1.3
	Daisy Laone	1.3

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Yamin, Superintendent of Schools
Barbara Peck, Director of Curriculum
Kurt Ogren, Principal WRHS
Pamela Mangini, Dir. of Finance & Business Operations
Brian Fell, Athletic Director/Assistant Principal WRHS
Dana Mulligan, Assistant Principal WRHS
Shelly McNulty, Director of Special Ed/Pupil Personnel
Matthew Brennan, Technology Director
Michele Meyers, Interim Principal LRMS
Regina Murzak, Principal Laurel Ledge School
Rima McGeehan, Principal Prospect Elementary School
Jeff Haddad, Asst. Principal Prospect Elementary School

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by Sheryl Feducia at 7:02 p.m. in the gymnasium at Long River Middle School, Prospect, CT.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

III. RECORD OF MEMBERS PRESENT

A roll was taken. A quorum was present.

IV. CALL OF THE MEETING (newspaper legal notice)

NOTICE OF
PUBLIC MEETING OF
REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST. #16

The electors and citizens who are qualified to vote in town meetings of the Towns of Beacon Falls and Prospect are hereby notified and warned that a public District meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at Long River Middle School in the Town of Prospect at 7:00 p.m. at which the Regional Board of Education will present (a) a proposed budget of \$40,532,348 for the next fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2016, and (b) a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$179,982 from the unreserved fund balance for Fiscal Year 2015 to the reserve fund for capital and nonrecurring expenditures. Any person may recommend the inclusion or deletion of expenditures in said proposed budget at such time. After said public hearing, the Board will prepare an annual budget for the next fiscal year, copies of which will be available at least five days before the annual meeting to be held on Monday, May 2, 2016.

Dated at Prospect, Connecticut this 23rd day of March 2016.

Sheryl Feducia, Chairman
Board of Education
Regional School District #16

V. ACTION ITEMS

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Robert Hiscox to appoint Sheryl Feducia as moderator for this meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0)

16-054

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Robert Hiscox to appoint Kelly Blum as recording clerk for this meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0)

16-055

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Yamin gave a very brief overview of where the budget stood as opposed to where it is now. Mr. Yamin stated he feels the budget is good and in the best interest of the Region.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Cummings, resident of Beacon Falls, expressed concern with the reduction in the Music Department at WRHS. Mr. Cummings was curious to find out if there was any correlation between the reduction and scheduling conflicts. Mr. Yamin responded to Mr. Cummings' concerns and assured him that staff was not being reduced due to eliminating the program but that the cut was due to low enrollment numbers.

Pat Geary, resident of Prospect, was thankful for the 0% increase and is thrilled to see that the TAG program is back. Ms. Geary had some questions that were precipitated from reading the article in the newspaper regarding the cuts in the Special Education Department. Mr. Yamin responded with a brief explanation which included how transportation affected a savings and that resources were being reallocated. Lastly, Ms. Geary expressed disappointment in the low number of public attendees.

Ms. Feducia thanked the members of the public who were in attendance and also thanked the administrators for being present and available during this process.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Daisy Laone to adjourn the March 30, 2016 District meeting at 7:22 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0)

16-056

Christine Arnold,

Board Secretary

These minutes are subject to Board approval,

Kelly Blum, Board Clerk