

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
Board of Education Meeting
September 14, 2016

EXHIBIT
I

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Yamin, Superintendent of Schools
 Barbara Peck, Curriculum Director
 Pamela Mangini, Dir. Of Finance and Business Operations
 Michael Ceresa, Director of Facilities and Maintenance
 Matthew Brennan, Director of Technology

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by Sheryl Feducia at 7:06 p.m. in the Media Center, WRHS, Beacon Falls, CT.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

III. RECORD OF MEMBERS PRESENT

A roll was taken. A quorum was present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of August 17, 2016, Board of Education Meeting (Ex. I)

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by David Rybinski to approve the minutes of August 17, 2016, Board of Education Meeting (Ex. I).

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-170**

V. TOWN OFFICIAL COMMENT

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Yamin sent emails to the Board regarding compliments to the start of the new school year.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

Nazih Noujaim read the Treasurer's Report:

Balance in General Fund as of 09/14/16:	\$5,115,258.68
Tonight's invoices total:	\$1,410,227.05
General Fund:	\$1,398,068.21
Federal and State Grants:	\$8,257.47
Adult Ed, Other Grants, Athletic Fund:	\$122.00
School Construction Payments:	\$3,779.37
 Balance of School Construction Project:	 \$275,523.28

IX. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT (Anna Witkowski, Abigail Meliso)

Miss Witkowski shared a report with the Board highlighting Departments, Clubs, and Student Government.

X. EXEMPLARY PEOPLE AND PROGRAMS

LRMS Teacher Maria Avery- presented with a plaque for being the recipient of the *Fund for Teachers* 2016 grant.

XI. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**A. Superintendent's Update**

1. Khan Academy Update

Mr. Yamin asked Ms. Peck to update the Board regarding Khan Academy - the online math summer work for incoming grade 6-12 students. Ms. Peck informed the Board that overall there was an excellent response and that minor bumps in the road were fixed. "Summer Slide" and the concern that brings along was briefly discussed. A further conversation will take place with the Curriculum Committee to think of the best ways to get students involved in summer work. The goal is to increase the demands for students so they can be competitive in today's "Global Market".

2. WRHS OCR report revised 8/31/16

Mr. Ceresa informed the Board of the above, and a document was included in the Board packet. Mr. Ceresa explained specifics and indicated which items are being presently taken care of, which have been completed, and what remains to be done. There were originally 32 items and, with negotiations, the list was brought down to 18. The biggest concern that was reported were the handrails which are a ½" off from where they should be. The suggestion was to hire an architect in moving forward; the timeframe for this is within the next 5 years. Mr. Ceresa will provide the Board with an update before the report gets submitted.

B. Action Items

1. Act to hire new certified staff for 2016-2017. (Melissa Boyce, Jenna Ironson, Daniel Ostasiewski, Jodie D'Alexander).

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Daisy Laone to hire Melissa Boyce as a .5 FTE Literacy Specialist Teacher at PES/LLES, at MA+30, Step 4, \$26,067.50. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 5.4)

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by David Rybinski to hire Jenna Ironson as a 1.0 FTE Grade 5 Teacher at PES, at BA, Step 2, \$46,582.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-172**

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by David Rybinski to hire Daniel Ostasiewski as a .4 FTE English Teacher at WRHS, at BA, Step 2, \$18,632.80.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-173**

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by David Rybinski to hire Jodie D'Alexander as a 1.0 FTE Library Media Specialist at WRHS, BA+15, Step 14, \$77,905.00. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-174**

2. Act to accept teacher's letter of resignation. (Trisha Pytko)

A MOTION was made by Christine Arnold and SECONDED by David Rybinski to accept Trisha Pytko's letter of resignation.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-175**

It was noted that Ms. Pytko will be held for the 45 days per the contract or until someone else is hired.

3. Act on proposed schedule for 2017 Board of Education Meetings.

A MOTION was made by David Rybinski and SECONDED by Nazih Noujaim to accept the proposed schedule for 2017 Board of Education Meetings.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-176**

4. Act to approve final invoice for A. Secondino & Son re: District Office project.

A MOTION was made by David Rybinski and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to approve final invoice for A. Secondino & Son in the amount of \$24,473.25

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 5.4) **16-177**

C. Director of Finance and Business Operations Report

Mrs. Mangini shared her report with the Board highlighting updates as she works with the Consortium to lock into lower electricity rates. Last year the Region locked in at a rate that was guaranteed for 1 year. Currently rates are being sought, and Mrs. Mangini will share more when a new rate is agreed upon.

D. Old Business

E. New Business (with possible action)

F. Items to be discussed at future BOE meetings

Mr. Yamin stated that at the next meeting there will be a full PowerPoint presentation regarding SBAC and Smarter Balanced which the principals will present.

G. Information Items

1. Field trip update
Mr. Yamin included this list of guaranteed experiences in the Board packet. A middle school list will also be sent out by Mr. Yamin.
2. Breakfast with Superintendent
LLES Media Center, 9/15/16, 8-9:30 a.m.
District Office BOE Room, 9/20/16, 8-9:30 a.m.
3. Parent Advisory Council (PAC):
PES, 9/28/16, 5:45 p.m.

XII. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

1. Personnel and Negotiations Committee:
Will be starting UPSEU contract negotiations.
2. Facilities and Transportation Committee
3. Curriculum Committee
Meeting will be scheduled by October to discuss TAG and summer work.
4. Policy Committee
Meeting on 9/28/16 at 6:15 p.m. at PES
5. Public Communications
6. Technology Committee
Meeting 1st week in November, to be scheduled.
7. Recognition Committee
8. Liaisons
Meet the teacher nights were discussed.
 - a. Schools
 - b. Wellness Committee
Ms. Biello will schedule.
 - c. Professional Development Committee
Meets 4th Monday of each month, PES, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
 - d. 2COM

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by David Rybinski to adjourn the September 14, 2016, Board of Education Meeting at 8:01 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote total 5.4)

16-178

Christine Arnold,

Board Secretary

*These minutes are subject to Board approval
Submitted by Kelly Blum, Board Clerk*