# **REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16**

# **Board of Education Meeting September 28, 2016**

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

|              |                     | Weighted Vote |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------|
|              |                     | Per Member    |
| Beacon Falls | Christine Arnold    | .7            |
|              | Priscilla Cretella  | .7            |
|              | Sheryl Feducia      | .7            |
|              |                     |               |
| Prospect     | Nazih Noujaim       | 1.3           |
|              | Daisy Laone         | 1.3           |
|              | Roxann Vaillancourt | 1.3           |
|              | Robert Hiscox       | 1.3           |
|              |                     |               |

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Yamin, Superintendent of Schools

Barbara Peck, Curriculum Director

Pamela Mangini, Dir. Of Finance and Business Operations

Regina Murzak, Principal LLES Rima McGeehan, Principal PES Jeff Haddad, Assistant Principal PES Derek Muharem, Principal LRMS Kurt Ogren, Principal WRHS

Shelly McNulty, Director of SPED/Pupil Personnel Jennifer Stewart, Asst. Dir. of SPED/Pupil Personnel

Matthew Brennan, Director of Technology

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by Sheryl Feducia at 7:03 p.m. in the cafeteria at Prospect Elementary School, Prospect, 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 September 14, 2016, Board of Education Meeting (Ex. I)

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Daisy Laone to approve the minutes of September 14, 2016, Board of Education Meeting (Ex. I).

ALL IN FAVOR, except Robert Hiscox, who abstained (weighted vote totals 6.0)

16-179

### V. TOWN OFFICIAL COMMENT

#### VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

#### VII. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Letter from LRMS Science teacher to parents re: her resignation
- 2. Wellness Committee Information & Minutes from 5/4/16 meeting.

### VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

Nazih Noujaim read the Treasurer's Report:

| Balance in General Fund as of 09/28/16: | \$7,257,566.71 |
|---|----------------|
| Tonight's invoices total:               | \$448,565.14   |
| General Fund:                           | \$400,423.84   |
| Federal and State Grants:               | \$9,263.93     |
| Adult Ed, Other Grants, Athletic Fund:  | \$14,404.12    |
| School Construction Payments:           | \$24,473.25    |

Balance of School Construction Project: \$251,089.70

IX. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT (Anna Witkowski, Abigail Meliso) Miss Meliso shared a report with the Board highlighting Departments, Clubs, and Student Government. Mr. Yamin to meet with Student Reps at 6:30 p.m. on 10/12/16 at LLES to discuss setting up a club or group to organize donations for less fortunate.

### X. EXEMPLARY PEOPLE AND PROGRAMS

### XI. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

#### A. Superintendent's Update

The following were discussed in a different order than as indicated.

1. Region 16 state testing results presentation. (District Administrators)
Before the administrators spoke, Ms. Peck began the PowerPoint presentation which highlighted exciting academic growth. This growth is thought to be sustainable. Following Ms. Peck, each administrator presented their school's testing results and presented action plans for moving forward which was a collaborative effort. Ms. Murzak and Ms. McGeehan presented regarding the elementary level, Mr. Muharem presented for LRMS, and finally Mr. Ogren presented for WRHS. Each administrator touched upon areas of growth and areas of gain. "Critical Thinking" was a universal language throughout each presentation. Ms. Peck wrapped up with a District Action Plan to support growth. Mr. Yamin provided a draft form of this document to the Board members. This PowerPoint will be accessible to the public through the Region 16 website.

# 2. School activity accounts update.

Mrs. Mangini provided this information and Mr. Yamin reviewed the numbers by school.

3. Innovative Grants.

Mr. Yamin reviewed the handout provided to the Board. Paperwork (applications) have been sent out.

### **B.** Action Items

1. Act to change Public Hearing date for 2017-2018 school budget from 4/5/17 to 3/29/17.

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Robert Hiscox to change Public Hearing date for 2017-2018 school budget from 4/5/17 to 3/29/17.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3)

16-180

2. Act to accept teacher's letter of resignation. (K. Hollywood)

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Nazih Noujaim to accept Katherine Hollywood's letter of resignation as a Mathematics teacher at Woodland Regional High School, effective October 5, 2016.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3)

16-181

3. First reading revised policy **5141.4**, *Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect*.

A MOTION was made by Robert Hiscox and SECONDED by Nazih Noujaim to accept the first reading of revised policy **5141.4** *Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect.* **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3) **16-182** 

4. First reading revised policy **6141.321**, *Internet/Computer Network Use*.

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Robert Hiscox to accept the first reading of revised policy **6141.321**, *Internet/Computer Network Use*. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3) **16-183** 

5. First reading revised policy **6141.328**, *Bring Your Own Device*.

A MOTION was made by Roxann Vaillancourt and SECONDED by Daisy Laone to accept the first reading of revised policy **6141.328**, *Bring Your Own Device*. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3) **16-184** 

6. First reading revised policy **6141.3291**, *District Assigned Device*.

A MOTION was made by Roxann Vaillancourt and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to accept the first reading of revised policy **6141.3291**, *District Assigned Device*. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3) **16-185** 

7. First reading revised policy **6142.101**, *Student Nutrition and Physical Activity*.

A MOTION was made by Roxann Vaillancourt and SECONDED by Daisy Laone to accept the first reading of revised policy **6142.101**, *Student Nutrition and Physical Activity*. **ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 7.3) **16-186** 

# C. <u>Director of Finance and Business Operations Report</u>

Mrs. Mangini shared her report with the Board highlighting updates regarding the timely submission of the ED001 report, annual audit process which will begin at the end of October, payroll audit which will be on Friday and the success so far with AESOP.

### D. Old Business

Mr. Yamin reported that the LRMS Tuesday late bus ran with a sufficient amount of students taking advantage of it and that it will continue throughout this year.

There will be a presentation regarding bullying to be held on Tuesday October 11, 2016, at the LRMS gymnasium from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. This event is a follow up to the kindness campaign.

# E. <u>New Business</u> (with possible action)

Mr. Noujaim stated that a resident asked about donations and how to go about donating to students in need. Mr. Yamin is going to look into additional approaches of collecting donations in addition to placing information regarding donations on the District website. Mr. Yamin turned to the Student Representatives to see if they can come up with a way to form a club that can help with donations.

# F. <u>Items to be discussed at future BOE meetings</u>

The Timber Team and Electrathon Car group will present at the October 12, 2016, BOE meeting at LLES regarding sponsorship for these two clubs. Early dismissal has been requested during CAPT testing. TAG criteria to be discussed further.

# G. Information Items

Parent Advisory Council (PAC): Meeting was held this evening at PES at 5:45 p.m.

#### H. Enrollment (Ex. II)

Mr. Yamin noted that enrollment is down from the previous year. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

#### XII. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

- 1. Personnel and Negotiations Committee: Meeting on 11/16/16 at LRMS before BOE. UPSEU contract negotiations begin this year.
- 2. Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting on 10/12/16, LLES, 6:15 p.m.
- 3. Curriculum Committee Meeting 11/2/16, WRHS, 6:15 p.m.
- 4. Policy Committee Met this evening at 6:00 p.m. at PES,
- 5. Public Communications

Draft of workshops will be put online

- 6. Technology Committee
- 7. Recognition Committee
- 8. Liaisons
  - a. Schools

Meet the Teacher nights were discussed.

- b. Wellness Committee
- c. Professional Development Committee Meets 4th Monday of each month, District Office, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
- d. 2COM

# XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Robert Hiscox to adjourn the September 28, 2016, Board of Education Meeting at 8:51 p.m.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote total 7.3)

16-187

Christine Arnold,

**Board Secretary** 

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