

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
DISTRICT MEETING
March 29, 2017**

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, Assistant Principal LRMS
Regina Murzak, Principal Laurel Ledge School
Rima McGeehan, Principal Prospect Elementary School
Jeff Haddad, Asst. Principal Prospect Elementary School
Jennifer Stewart, Assistant Director of Special Education

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by Sheryl Feducia at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Woodland Regional High School, Beacon Falls, 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 29, 2017 at Woodland High School in the Town of Beacon Falls at 7:00 p.m. at which the Regional Board of Education will present a proposed budget of \$41,230,852 for the next fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2017. 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 (5) days before the annual meeting to be held on Monday, May 1, 2017.

Dated at Prospect, Connecticut this 22nd day of March 2017

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

V. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Appoint a moderator to preside at the District Meeting**
- b. Appoint a recording clerk for the District Meeting**

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

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0) **17-040**

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

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0) **17-041**

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Yamin presented a PowerPoint in which he highlighted the following: recent budget history, budget overview, declining enrollment, proposed staff changes, District goals, budget highlights, budget additions, academic performance and gains, revenue and net expenses as well as net costs to towns.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Fred Smith, resident of Beacon Falls, thanked the Board and Administrators for the work they do. Mr. Smith expressed his concern about the State's proposed budget in regards to the burden of pension obligation.

Jenna Ironson, resident of Prospect, is the most recent hire of Region 16 and spoke to her commitment to the Region. Ms. Ironson expressed her hopes that the budget can be balanced so as not to lose teachers like herself and to avoid increased class sizes.

Dino Verrelli, resident of Beacon Falls, expressed his concern about what the Board is asking for because there is a surplus which he does not support.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by David Rybinski and SECONDED by Nazih Noujaim to adjourn the March 29, 2017 District meeting at 7:35 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 8.0)

17-042

Christine Arnold,

Board Secretary

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