

**Region One Board of Education
All Boards Chairs Committee
Joint Special Meeting
Monday, March 5, 2018**

A combined meeting of the Region One Board of Education and the All Boards Chairs Committee was held on Monday, March 5, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in the HVRHS Library. A quorum was present for each group:

The Region One Board: Chair—Bob Whelan, Sharon; Pat Mechare, Canaan; John Sanders, Cornwall; Jonathan Moore, Kent; Doug Humes, North Canaan; and Jennifer Weigel, Salisbury.

The A.B.C. Committee: Chair—David Valcin, Salisbury; Pat Mechare, Canaan; Catherine Tatge, Cornwall; Martin Lindenmayer Kent; Karen Riccardelli, North Canaan; and Doug Cahill, Sharon.

Also present were Superintendent Pamela Vogel; Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter; Business Manager Sam Herrick; Director of Pupil Services Carl Gross; Supervisor of Special Education Martha Schwaikert; HVRHS Principal Jose Martinez; HVRHS Assistant Principal Ian Strever; faculty, public and press.

Chair Whelan called the Region One Board to order at 6:01 p.m.

Chair Valcin called the A.B.C. Committee to order at 6:02 p.m.

A **motion** was made by Ms. Weigel, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to move to executive session for the purpose of discussion and possible action on the HVRHS Principal Position, inviting in Dr. Vogel, Ms. Carter, Dr. Martinez, Mr. Strever, all members of the A.B.C. Committee, and five teachers. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Ms. Tatge, seconded by Ms. Mechare, to accept the invitation to move to executive session with the Region One Board of Education for the purpose of discussion and possible action on the HVRHS Principal Position. Motion carried unanimously.

Both the Region One Board and the A.B.C. Committee exited executive session at 6:43 p.m.

No action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding the proposed 2018-2019 budget. Chair Whelan highlighted the process of the budget committee, who started at an increase of 2.71%, then reviewed every item, line by line, to get it down to a 0% increase. He stated that the 0% increase will NOT be sustainable in future years.

Mr. Herrick then reviewed items incorporated into the budget proposal. He discussed the importance of Business Education, the declining enrollment, and some reductions in FTE. The FTE reductions include .4 in English, .4 in Social Studies, .6 in German, and .7 in Physical Education/Health. There will also be a reduction of 1.0 FTE in Special Education through retirements. Mr. Herrick also stated the need for additional IT support, which is offset by the District Application Coordinator position not being filled. A

large portion of the savings in the budget is attributed to a savings in health care costs as a result of a switch in health insurance providers from Aetna to the state plan.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to adjourn the Region One Board of Education at 7:11 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Lindenmayer, to adjourn the ABC Committee meeting at 7:11 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Clerk

Un-Approved