

**Region One Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 2, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Region One Board of Education was held on Monday, October 2, 2017 in Room 133 at HVRHS. A quorum was in attendance: Chair Andrea Downs, Canaan; John Sanders, Cornwall; Jonathan Moore, Kent; Edwin Gow, North Canaan; Jennifer Weigel, Salisbury; and Bob Whelan, Sharon.

Also in attendance were: Superintendent, Pam Vogel; Assistant Superintendent, Lisa Carter; Business Manager, Sam Herrick; HVRHS Principal, José Martinez; HVRHS Assistant Principal Ian Strever; faculty/staff; press and public.

Vice Chair Weigel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Tyler Burdick presented on a new program entitled “Bridges.” This program is a Tier III intervention in terms of the SRBI model that is designed for students who struggle in a traditional classroom. The program provides students with an alternative setting to complete work and earn credit towards graduation. The current enrollment in the program is 5 students, but is expected to grow to 10 by the end of this school year. The program has had a very successful start.

Chair Downs entered the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Student representatives Dean Saccardi and Carianne Callinan reported that the student government has not yet had an official meeting, but that one is scheduled for this Thursday. They also reported that spirit week and a pep rally will be coming up later this month.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Whelan, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to approve the minutes of the 9/11/2017 Region One Board of Education regular meeting as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Gow, to approve the minutes of the 9/13/2017 Lighthouse Meeting as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held regarding the Region One Board of Education goals and the Region One Board of Education mission. Chair Downs stated that both the mission and goals should align with the regional strategic plan. All Board members also felt that the “iceberg message” developed during their Lighthouse training was a good place to start. The iceberg states that “In order for us to prepare each child for what comes next, we must align vision, practice, and expectations among all stakeholders.” Discussion of possible retreat to discuss the mission and goals possibly in December.

Principal Martinez highlighted his written report to the Board.

Assistant Principal Ian Strever highlighted his written report to the Board. He also invited student, Kristen Galgano, to discuss an environmental initiative to have sustainable silverware that is economically and environmentally viable.

The Athletic Director's Report was presented in writing. Principal Martinez will clarify NYP and eligibility.

Business Manager Sam Herrick stated that there are currently 6 certified negotiations in progress.

The Pupil Services report was presented in writing.

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter highlighted her written report to the Board.

Superintendent Pam Vogel's report was presented in writing.

The CABA/CAPSS Conference was briefly discussed.

A brief discussion was held regarding Parent/Community Advisory for HVRHS. The name has been changed to School Community Partnership Meetings. Assistant Superintendent Carter explained how these meetings will be set up across the region. Principal Martinez stated that the first one will be held on November 13, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Special Olympics for the 2018-2019 year was tabled until the November meeting.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Gow, to approve the Orlando 2018 field trip request from Mr. Tom Krupa as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Weigel, to accept the resignation of Kimberly Durley. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held regarding AP Courses and Testing. Data was presented to show that there are currently 126 total AP course enrollments, totaling 70 unique students. Chair Downs stated that she was comfortable making a strong recommendation to all students enrolled in an AP course to take the AP exam, but not to mandate it. Ms. Weigel agreed. A discussion was held regarding the cost of the test and how much the Board could afford to cover of that cost. There was further discussion regarding the culture in the high school regarding the taking of the test and that the culture should be addressed rather than mandating the test.

Committees/Liaisons of/and for Regional School District #1

- a) CABA Director Report
- b) Ag-Ed Advisory—No Meeting
- c) ABC Committee—Minutes 9/27/2017
- d) Building and Grounds Committee—No Meeting
- e) Policy Committee—Minutes 9/19/2017
- f) Personnel Committee—No Meeting
- g) Communication Committee—Minutes 9/27/2017

- h) Budget Committee—No Meeting
- i) Arboretum & Landscaping Committee

No public comment was heard.

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 an employment agreement modification request and certified contract negotiations, inviting in Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter and Business Manager Sam Herrick. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session began at 8:35 p.m.

The Board exited the executive session at 8:55 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Weigel, to allow Assistant Superintendent Carter to transfer her 153 accumulated sick days earned from Salisbury Central School to Region One. These sick days would go toward the 180 sick day maximum allowed under contract. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Ms. Weigel, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Bunce

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Board Clerk