

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
JUNE 7, 2010 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
THE LEARNING CENTER**

Board Members Present:

Joseph Arcuri – Chairman
Noel Carmody
Kathy Deprey
Jeanne Doerr
Beth Duffy
Paul Omichinski
Phillip Penn
Ted Scheidel
Raymond Sikora - Vice Chairman

Absent:

Elaine Schiavone

Also Present:

Alan Beitman Superintendent of Schools
Michael Landry Assistant Superintendent
David Lenihan Business Manager

<p>Chairman of the Board, Joseph Arcuri, called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:31 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>
<p><u>Moment of Silence:</u> A moment of silence was observed for Mr. Michael Rossi, a Lewis S. Mills High School teacher who passed away following a brief illness.</p>	<p>MOMENT OF SILENCE</p>
<p><u>Recognition:</u> Mr. Beitman recognized Mr. Stephen Sikora, Board of Education Student Representative, for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years. He thanked him for the insight he provided and for his years of service.</p> <p><u>Retirees:</u> Mr. Beitman presented each of the retiring staff members with a proclamation that honored them and declared a specific date as their day in either the town of Burlington or Harwinton.</p> <p>Mr. Beitman recognized Ms. Karissa Niehoff for her years of service, dedication and commitment to the students, staff, and parents of Region 10 in her positions as principal of Lewis S. Mills High School and assistant principal of Har-Bur Middle School. He then presented her with a gift.</p> <p><u>Introduction of the New Lewis S. Mills High School Principal:</u> Mr. Beitman proudly presented Mrs. Pamela Lazaroski as the new principal of Lewis S. Mills High School.</p>	<p>RECOGNITION</p>
<p><u>Student Representative Report:</u> Mr. Stephen Sikora reported that it was a busy week for seniors. Senior picnic, senior prom, and awards night were all held. He reported that</p>	<p>COMMUNICATIONS</p>

<p>spring sports season is coming to a close. Mr. Brault reported that the girls soccer team sponsored an event in honor of Vikki Barrow, a former LSM student, who passed away last year.</p> <p><u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Mr. Beitman reported that the school year is winding down. Staff is preparing and planning for summer maintenance work and for the shut down of the schools. He further reported that the teachers who were non-renewed in February for budgetary reasons have been rehired. He said administrators are in the process of hiring for the few positions that are available. The search for the new assistant principal is underway. The deadline for application materials is June 18. He stated that he is looking to have the new assistant principal on board by August 1, 2010.</p>	
<p>A motion to approve the minutes for the May 10, 2010 Regular Board of Education Meeting, the financial report of May 31, 2010, to accept the following resignations, appointments, and leave was made by Mr. Omichinski and was seconded by Mr. Scheidel all in favor none opposed. Motion carries (8/0/0)</p> <p>Resignations: Mrs. Martha Lecko, Grade 5 teacher, Har-Bur Middle School Mr. David Dworkin, Grade 6 science teacher, Har-Bur Middle School</p> <p>Leave: Mr. Adam Robinson, Lewis Mills English teacher, one-year leave of absence to allow him to study in Italy.</p> <p>Appointments and renewals: Danielle Miller – HCS, School Psychologist Alan Hanks – Lewis Mills, Environmental Science Katherine Agostine – Har-Bur, Grade 8 Math Nancy Goslee – Har-Bur, Math Alicia Bohan – Lewis Mills, .8 Spanish Angela Scampolino – Lewis Mills, P.E./Wellness Rebecca Morton – Lake Garda, Assistant Principal Amanda Bessette – HCS, Kindergarten Teacher Stephanie Close – HCS, Grade 2 Teacher Kristin Coffman – HCS, Grade 2 Teacher Kileen Leonard – HCS, .26 P.E./Wellness Teacher Elena Padoiko – HCS, Grade 2 Teacher Kelly Ruelas – HCS, .6 Spanish Teacher Jessie Benjamin – Har-Bur, P.E./Wellness Lynn MacDonald – Lewis Mills, Math Teacher Dana Tracy – Lake Garda, .7 Spanish Teacher Amanda Corwin – Lake Garda, Language Arts Consultant Christina Irwin – Lake Garda, Teacher Grade TBD</p>	<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>
<p>There was no public participation.</p>	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p>
<p><u>Discussion on Participation in Connecticut Nutrition Program:</u> Mrs. Dolores Allocca, Food Services Director, and Mr. Lenihan, Business Manager recommended that Region 10 not participate in the State of Connecticut's nutrition program due to the fact that it would cut down on flexibility and would increase cost.</p> <p>A motion to follow the recommendation of the business manager to not participate in the State nutrition program was made by Mr. Omichinski and was seconded by Mr. Sikora. All in favor none</p>	<p>ACTION</p>

opposed. Motion carries (8/0/0)

Approval of New Policies:

A **motion** to approve the following new policies: 3518.1 Green Cleaning, 5125.2 Protection of Student Privacy, 3514.1 Energy Management, 1325 Distribution of Materials was made by Ms. Carmody and was seconded by Mr. Penn. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)

Approval of Revised Existing Policies:

A **motion** to approve the following revised policies: 6114 Fire and Crisis Response Drills, 3519 Automatic External Defibrillator, 5114 Student Discipline – Removal/Suspension Expulsion, 5114.2 Search and Seizure 5125 Educational Records – Access, Confidentiality, and Amendment was made by Mr. Omichinski and was seconded by Mrs. Duffy. All in favor none opposed. (8/0/0)

Pre-Approval of the Har-Bur Middle School Field Trip to Bermuda:

Mr. Beitman indicated that normally the Board would take two meetings before they would approve a field trip. However, due to fundraising needs the middle school is requesting pre-approval. Mr. Beitman indicated that this item will be brought before the Board again at the regularly scheduled August meeting.

A **motion** to pre-approve the Har-Bur Middle School Bermuda field trip fundraising effort was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Mrs. Doerr. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)

Authorization of Superintendent Beitman to sign the “Heart of Har-Bur Initiative” Grant:

Mrs. Rouleau spoke about the program that the grant would be funding. She indicated that the focus will be on keeping the students engaged and helping them make connections. The grant will allow the school to train staff members in a program that will help them foster a positive atmosphere.

A **motion** to authorize Superintendent Beitman to sign the “Heart of Har-Bur Initiative” grant was made by Ms. Carmody and was seconded by Mrs. Duffy. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)

Authorization to change July 12 Meeting to Executive Session for Assistant Principal interviews and to schedule a July 19 meeting to Appoint the Lewis S. Mills Assistant Principal:

A motion to change the July 12 regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting to an executive session in order to hold interviews for the candidates for the position of assistant principal of Lewis S. Mills High School and to schedule a meeting on July 19 to appoint the Lewis S. Mills assistant principal was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Mrs. Carmody. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)

Review of Policy 3513.3 Dogs on School Property:

BUSINESS

<p>Mr. Beitman explained that this is a new policy that comes on the heels of action taken in Harwinton banning dogs from their new fields. The concern is that people will then start to walk their dogs on school property. Due to the health and sanitation concerns Mr. Beitman recommended being proactive and taking steps now.</p> <p>A motion to move this item to an action item was made by Mr. Penn and was seconded by Ms. Carmody. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p>A motion to approve policy 3513.3 Dogs on School Property was made by Mr. Penn and was seconded by Mr. Omichinski. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p><u>Review of Regulation 5141.5A Wellness Guidelines:</u> Mr. Beitman presented the Wellness Guidelines to the Board and explained that the regulation is how they implement the policy. This will be on the August agenda for review under business, not action, as the Board does not need to approve regulations.</p>	
<p><u>Committee Reports:</u> <u>Curriculum Committee:</u> Mr. Sikora presented a review of the May curriculum committee meeting. He reported that Mr. Grigorwitz, Region 10 Science Coordinator, presented an overview of the K-12 science program.</p> <p><u>CREC:</u> Mr. Duffy said that the annual meeting was held in May. The focus of the meeting was on what is going on with new legislation. The legislative update from CAFE will be forwarded to Board members which outlines the new laws.</p>	COMMITTEE REPORTS
<p>A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Penn and was seconded by Mr. Omichinski. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p>The meeting ended at 9:06 pm.</p>	ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,



 Jeanne Doerr, Secretary

7/19/10

 Date