

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
OCTOBER 18, 2010  
REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
THE LEARNING CENTER**

**Board Members Present:**

Joseph Arcuri – Chairman  
Jeanne Doerr  
Beth Duffy  
Paul Omichinski  
Phil Penn  
Ted Scheidel  
Ray Sikora, Vice Chairman  
Elaine Schiavone  
Noel Turner

**Absent:**

Kathy Deprey

**Also Present:**

Alan Beitman	Superintendent of Schools
Michael Landry	Assistant Superintendent
David Lenihan	Business Manager
Jordon Brault	Student Representative
Rebecca Spitz	Student Representative

<p>Chairman of the Board, Joseph Arcuri, called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:33 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>	<p><b>CALL TO ORDER</b></p>
<p><b><u>Superintendent's Report:</u></b> <b><u>Enrollment Update:</u></b> Region 10's student count was submitted for October 1, 2010. Mr. Beitman shared the enrollment numbers with the Board members. He stated that this year enrollment is down. He presented a breakdown of the district's enrollment numbers. He commented that enrollment is consistent with projections. Mr. Beitman discussed concerns he had with regard to the 2011-2012 school year and magnet schools and transportation.</p> <p><b><u>Student Representative Report:</u></b> Jordon Brault reported that this week is spirit/homecoming week at Lewis S. Mills High School and each day has a theme including color wars, 60s day and 80s day. The week will conclude with a pep rally on Friday afternoon and the homecoming dance on Saturday evening. Rebecca Spitz updated the Board on the status of various Lewis Mills sports teams. She reported that the field hockey team is currently undefeated, the girl's soccer team is 9-0 and is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in their league. Attendance at the football games is outstanding, and the unified sports team won a gold medal at their last tournament. She also reported that the Lewis S. Mills Marching Band won 1<sup>st</sup> place at the</p>	<p><b>COMMUNICATIONS</b></p>

<p>North Adam's Fall Foliage Parade and they took first place at the Bristol Mum parade.</p>	
<p>A <b>motion</b> to approve the following minutes and to accept the following resignations was made by Mr. Omichinski and was seconded by Mr. Sikora:  The minutes from the Regularly Scheduled September 13, 2010 Board of Education Meeting  The minutes from the Special Board of Education Meetings A, B, and C of September 20, 2010  The Financial Report dated September 30, 2010  The resignation for retirement purposes of Ms. Patricia Purcell, Lewis Mills math teacher  The resignation of Mrs. Tiffany Davis, Lewis Mills guidance counselor.  Seven (7) in favor, none opposed two (2) abstained due to absence.  Motion carries. (7/0/2)</p>	<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>
<p>Mrs. Pat McGlynn, READ 10 President, thanked Mr. Beitman for his help and support of the Lake Garda School staff following the death of Mrs. Karen Ducotey.  Mrs. Jayne Stocker, Burlington resident, followed up on her request for a change to the 2011-2012 school year calendar by beginning the school year with a four (4) or three (3) day week.</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b></p>
<p><b><u>Establish and then Close an Ebay and Pay Pal Account:</u></b>  Mr. Beitman presented some details regarding the high school technology department's robotic arm. He explained that it is now obsolete and needs to be disposed of. He further explained that the only value now is in its parts. He proposed that the Board authorize the superintendent and the business manager to establish an Ebay and Pay Pal Account to facilitate the sale of the robotic arm's parts, as well as a router, and a lathe. He reviewed the associated costs and potential revenues. Mr. Beitman reported that the revenues would be used to purchase updated robotic equipment for the technology education department.</p> <p>A <b>motion</b> to authorize the superintendent of schools and the business manager to establish and close an Ebay and Pay Pal account for Region 10 to facilitate the sale of obsolete equipment was made by Ms. Schiavone and was seconded by Mrs. Turner.</p> <p>There was some discussion regarding the items being sold and of the value in keeping the Ebay and Pay Pal account open.</p> <p>All in favor none opposed. Motion carries (9/0/0)</p> <p><b><u>Approval of Region 10 Board of Education Committees:</u></b>  Facilities Committee  Building Committee  Curriculum Committee  Alternative Learning Committee</p>	<p><b>ACTION</b></p>

Co-Curricular Activities adhoc Committee  
CREC Committee

There was some discussion with regard to the committees and its members. Mr. Scheidel will now serve on the facilities committee and Mrs. Turner will now serve on the curriculum committee.

A **motion** to accept the Region 10 Board of Education Committee assignments was made by Mr. Penn and was seconded by Ms. Schiavone. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (9/0/0)

**Board of Education Goals Workshop:**

Mr. Beitman indicated that the Board of Education Goals workshop is scheduled for October 30, 2010 at 9am in the Board of Education Conference room and their three-year goals will be finalized at that time.

**Discussion and Follow-Up to the 2011-2012 Calendar:**

Mr. Beitman presented that 30% of Connecticut school districts had a full week of school this year and that 70% began with a shortened school week. Mr. Beitman stated that he could not find any research on the advantage or disadvantage to a shortened first week.

The Board had a lengthy discussion regarding the pros and cons of changing the 2011-2012 school year calendar. It was decided that a survey would be developed for input on the 2013-2014 school year calendar. This item would be placed on the November meeting agenda for possible action.

**Review of Policy #3513 – Use of Facilities:**

Mr. Beitman reviewed the modifications to policy #3513 – Use of Facilities. This item will be placed on the November agenda for action.

**Committee Meetings:**

Facilities Committee – Mr. Omichinski reported a review of last week's facilities committee meeting at which they discussed modifications to Policy #3513 – Use of Facilities.

Curriculum Committee – Mr. Sikora presented a review of the curriculum committee meeting of October 6, 2010. Their next meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2010.

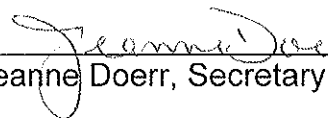
A **motion** to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Penn and was seconded by Mr. Omichinski. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (9/0/0)

The meeting ended at 9:43 pm.

**BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Jeanne Doerr, Secretary

11/8/10  
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Date