

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
APRIL 11, 2011
REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
HAR-BUR MIDDLE SCHOOL LEARNING CENTER**

Board Members Present:

Joseph Arcuri – Chairman
Jeanne Doerr
Beth Duffy
Kathy Deprey
Paul Omichinski
Phil Penn
Ted Scheidel (arrived at 7:52pm)
Elaine Schiavone
Ray Sikora, Vice Chairman

Absent:

Noel Turner

Also Present:

Alan Beitman	Superintendent of Schools
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>CALL TO ORDER</p>
<p><u>Special Presentation by Ms. Beth Lapman, World Language Coordinator:</u> Mr. Beitman introduced Ms. Lapman, World Language coordinator. Ms. Lapman thanked the Board members and the administration for their support of the world language program. She shared a power point presentation depicting a sampling of Region 10 world language student work along with some statistical benefits of studying foreign languages. Amber Surveski, Luke McNaboe, and Alex Arcuri spoke about their positive experiences in the Spanish program.</p> <p><u>Recognition of the Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference Award Recipients:</u> Mr. Beitman introduced Mrs. Barbara Angelicola-Manzolli the Lewis S. Mills High School FBLA coordinator. Mrs. Angelicola-Manzoli presented the state competition award winners and spoke of their hard work and accomplishments.</p>	<p>SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITION</p>
<p><u>Student Representative's Report:</u> Ms. Rebecca Spitz reported that the National Honor Society, in conjunction with the humanitarian club, are selling bracelets at all lunch shifts until April 15 to raise money for the people of Japan.</p>	<p>COMMUNICATIONS</p>

<p>She also reported that Lewis Mills High School would be hosting this year's Connecticut Colt Rhyme Celebration on April 27th. Students from all over Connecticut have been chosen to represent their school in a poetry recitation contest. Poems will be recited in many, many different languages. Mr. Brault reported that on April 9 and 10 the LSM drama club presented their production of "Thoroughly Modern Millie". He reported that spring sports are in full swing and that the week of April 11 is Eco Action week at Lewis Mills High School.</p> <p><u>Superintendent's Report:</u> <u>Update of the 2011-2012 Estimate of Expenses:</u> Mr. Beitman reported that there are no changes to the estimate of expenses with regard to information flowing from the state and federal government. He indicated that we are moving ahead to referendum and indicated that later in the meeting the Board would be asked to review two options for budget mailing flyers.</p>	
<p>A motion to approve the minutes for the Board of Education Budget Meeting of March 7, 2011, the regular Board of Education Meeting of March 14, 2011, the Board of Education Special Meetings A, B, C, D of March 15, 2011, to approve the financial report dated March 31, 2011 and the resignation of Mrs. Amy Ludwig, Lake Garda School Grade 2 teacher was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Mr. Omichinski. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p>	<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>
<p>There was no public participation.</p>	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p>
<p><u>Approval of the 2011-2012 Board of Education Meeting Schedule:</u> Mr. Beitman presented a draft of the 2011-2012 Board of Education Meeting Schedule.</p> <p>A motion to approve the 2011-2012 Board of Education Meeting Schedule as presented by Mr. Beitman was made by Mr. Omichinski and was seconded by Mr. Penn. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p><u>Approval of the "Elements of Literature: Essentials of British and World Literature" for Lewis Mills High School World Literature Classes:</u> Mr. Beitman recommended approval of the new "Elements of Literature" book.</p> <p>A motion to approve the "Elements of Literature: Essentials of British and World Literature" was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Ms. Schiavone. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p><u>Approval of the "Western Heritage Since 1300 (AP Edition)" for Advanced Placement Modern European History:</u> Mr. Beitman recommended approval of the new "Western Heritage Since 1300" text book.</p>	<p>ACTION</p>

<p>A motion to approve the "Western Heritage Since 1300 (AP Edition)" book was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Mrs. Duffy. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p><u>Approval of the Estimate of Expenses Referendum Brochure:</u> Mr. Beitman presented two versions of the budget mailing flyer. The Board discussed both options.</p> <p>A motion to approve option B estimate of expenses flyer was made by Mrs. Duffy and was seconded by Mr. Sikora. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p><u>Har-Bur Middle School Environmental Science Class Schedule Change:</u> Mr. Beitman recommended the environmental science class schedule change be approved.</p> <p>A motion to approve the Har-Bur Middle School Environmental Science Class schedule change was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Ms. Deprey. All in favor none opposed. (8/0/0)</p>	
<p><u>Review of Lewis S. Mills Spring 2012 Field Trip to Spain:</u> Mr. Beitman spoke positively about the Spain exchange program and the benefits of it. Ms. Lapman presented a power point presentation of the exchange program and the Board discussed the trip and recommended that fundraising opportunities be offered to help students reduce their costs. This item will be placed on the May 9th agenda for approval.</p> <p><u>Computer Science Course for Lewis S. Mills High School:</u> Mr. Beitman overviewed a new computer science course that the curriculum committee recommended for approval. Mrs. Lazaroski spoke about the prerequisites for and interest in the class. This item will be placed on the May 9th agenda for approval.</p>	BUSINESS
<p><u>CREC:</u> Mrs. Duffy reported that nothing but worry and concern was expressed at this month's CREC meeting in Hartford.</p> <p><u>Building Committee:</u> The Building committee is meeting on April 19, 2011 at 7pm in the Board of Education Conference room.</p>	COMMITTEE REPORTS
<p>A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Sikora and was seconded by Mr. Omichinski. All in favor none opposed. Motion carries. (8/0/0)</p> <p>The meeting ended at 9:00pm</p>	ADJOURN