

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Special Meeting of the Board of Education
The Learning Center
26 LYON ROAD, BURLINGTON, CT 06013
Monday, March 16, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Joseph Arcuri, Board Chairman
Paul Omichinski
Thomas Fausel
Bruce Guillemette
Brooke Joiner
Susan Baccaro
Eleanor (Ellie) Parente
Beth Duffy
John Vecchitto

Absent:

Phillip Penn

Also Present:

Alan Beitman, Superintendent
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Cheri Burke, Director of Student Learning

- I. Call to Order:
Board Chairman Joseph Arcuri called to order the Special Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:00 p.m.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance:
Mr. Arcuri led the Pledge of Allegiance

- III. Communications:
 - A. Superintendent's Report:
 1. Update of the 2015/2016 Estimate of Expenses:

Superintendent Beitman presented the latest Estimate of Expenses, which totaled \$1,094,030 or 2.96% over the previous year.

Departmental budgets presented this evening included Curriculum and Instruction and Facilities and Operations.

IV. Board of Education Review of the 2015-2016 Estimate of Expenses

Board discussions encompassed the proposed new funds including PSAT costs and implementation, Wamago waitlisted students, transportation, and the Grade 5 Guidance Counselor.

V. Public Participation

Cathleen Gautherin
Harwinton

Reached out to the Board in support of students who would like to attend Wamogo

Al Lamson
Harwinton

Echoed Ms. Gautherin's sentiments

Linda Carey
Burlington

In support of the students who would like to attend Wamogo

Emilee Carey
Burlington

In support of students who would like to attend Wamogo

Melissa Haras
Burlington

Echoed previous speakers' sentiments

Brendan Haras
Burlington

Would like to attend Wamogo

Connor Lamson
Harwinton

Would like to participate in Wamogo's Vo-Ag program

Dana Amundsen
Harwinton

In support of students attending Wamogo

Elizabeth O'Connell
Harwinton

Asked for support of SEED money that was put into the budget for the playground

Brett Boucher
Jennifer Boucher

Asked for consideration for students to attend Wamogo

- VI. Action:
A. Approve the 2015/2016 Estimate of Expenses

A motion was made by Beth Duffy to approve an Estimate of Expenses with a 3.5 % cap excluding Grade 7/8 Field Hockey and including a one year reduced cost for PSAT for grade 11 students. The remainder of the decisions would emanate from administration; Tom Fausel seconds;

Discussion of motion ensued.

2 in favor; 6 opposed; motion failed.

On a motion made by John Vecchitto and seconded by Paul Omichinski to review new item monies line by line to determine the balance of new funds; 2 in favor; 6 opposed; Motion failed.

On a motion made by Tom Fausel and seconded by Eleanor Parente to accept/approve funding of the proposed new **Grade 5 School Counselor**;

3 in favor; 5 opposed; motion failed (Unfunded) \$0

On a motion made by Tom Fausel and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to accept/approve the **.4 Technology Staff Update**;

0 in favor; 8 opposed; motion failed (Unfunded) \$0

*The format was changed to a show of hands:

Technology Tech Upgrade
8 in favor; 0 opposed; motion carried (funded) \$23,200

Grade 7/8 Field Hockey 1 in favor; 7 opposed; motion failed (not funded)	\$0
HCS Air Conditioner 2 in favor; 6 opposed; motion failed (not funded)	\$0
Field Maintenance All in favor; 0 opposed; motion carried (funded)	\$50,000
Field Supplies All in favor; 0 opposed; motion carried (funded)	\$ 6,000
Football Equipment 0 in favor; 8 opposed; motion failed (unfunded)	\$0
HCS Seed funds for playground All in favor; none opposed; motion carried (Funded)	\$10,000
Science Field Trip All in favor; none opposed; motion carried (Funded)	\$2,000
PSAT 100% Funded 0 in favor; 8 opposed; motion failed (unfunded)	\$0
50% Funded offering 1 year for Juniors 5 in favor; 3 opposed (Funded)	\$2,200
Wamogo (6) Students to attend 3 in favor; 5 opposed; motion failed (unfunded)	\$0
(2) Students to attend 2 in favor; 6 opposed; motion failed (unfunded)	\$0
Athletic Rentals 0 in favor; 8 opposed; motion failed (unfunded)	\$0
	<hr/> \$93,400 Funded

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Brooke Joiner to offset the Estimate of Expenses with the approved "New Funds" in the amount of \$93,400; Estimate of Expenses will remain at \$1,094,030 or 2.96%; administration to return with \$93,400 reductions;


5 in favor; 3 opposed; motion carried.

- VII. Important Dates:
Monday, March 23, 2015 Public Hearing
Monday, May 4, 2015 Proposed Annual Meeting
Tuesday, May 5, 2015 Proposed Referendum Date

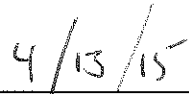
VIII. Adjourn

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Bruce Guillemette to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Education at 12:50 a.m; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Fausel, Secretary



Date