

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**May 25, 2022**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

		Weighted Vote <u>Per Member</u>
<i>Beacon Falls...</i>	Christine Arnold	.7
	Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga	.7
	Ben Catanzaro	.7
	Priscilla Cretella	.7
<i>Prospect...</i>	Robert Dyer	1.3
	Robert Hiscox	1.3
	Roxann Vaillancourt	1.3

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michael Yamin, Superintendent of Schools  
Tony DiLeone, Dir. of Finance and Business Operations  
Derek Muharem, Principal LRMS  
Rima McGeehan, Principal PES  
Jeffrey Haddad, VP PES  
Regina Murzak, Principal LLES

Prior to the start of the meeting there was a reception honoring the following retirees; Josephine Coppola, Kristine Doucette, Deborah Melycher and Ruth Parise. All retirees had some wonderful words spoken by their administrators and were presented with gifts and flowers.

A moment of silence was also observed for the victims of the Uvalde, Texas School shooting.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Robert Hiscox, at 7:07 p.m. at the District Office, in Prospect, CT.

**A. Roll Call**

Roll was called and a quorum was present.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

**C. Revision/Additions to Agenda Order**

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of May 11, 2022, District Meeting (Ex. I)

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Robert Dyer to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022, District Meeting (Ex. I)

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-073**

Minutes of May 11, 2022 Board of Education Meeting (Ex. II)

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Robert Dyer to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022, Board of Education Meeting. (Ex. II)

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-074**

### **III. COMMENT**

#### **A. Town Officials**

**B. Public Comments** - *Note: Public Comment will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker with a maximum of 45 minutes per subject. The BOE will not reply to comments made at a meeting. The Superintendent or Board Chair will respond to a concern within five business days*

### **IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Yamin sent out a notice regarding the trouble with bussing and that the struggles are ongoing. Mr. Yamin also sent notice to parents ensuring the safety of the children while in the schools.

### **V. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga read the following into the record:

Balance in General Fund as of 5/25/22:	\$6,173,590.19
Tonight's Invoices Total	\$425,888.70
General Fund	\$418,164.94
Federal and State Grants	\$7,445.26
Adult Ed, Other Grants, Athletic Fund	\$278.50
Capital Non-Recurring Project	\$0.00

### **VI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** (Kayleigh Budnick, Charli Hughes)

Miss Budnick and Miss Hughes delivered this evening's report highlighting news from the following: Departments, Clubs and Student Government.

### **VII. EXEMPLARY PEOPLE, PROGRAMS and AWARDS**

Congratulations on Loren Luddy's 300th win as Woodland's Girls' Softball Coach.

### **VIII. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**

#### **A. Superintendent's Update**

##### **1. Staffing for 2022-2023.**

Hiring has started with no change to the budget aside from a possible \$15,000 difference considering the Dean position at LRMS. At this point hiring is happening ahead of schedule.

##### **2. Staffing changes for the 2022-23 school year**

- Addition of a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at LLES due to enrollment numbers.
- Hire STEM teacher Jan 2023 for WRHS transition to STEM Pathway.

##### **3. Update on existing drainage on the football field at WRHS.**

Mr. Yamin provided a brief update indicating that a company came out and took a video of what is currently going on.

## **B. Director of Finance and Business Operations Report**

Mr. DiLeone reported on the following: the migration to LINQ is nearly complete, loan proposals continue to be solicited, snow removal and refuse & recycling bids for the next three years have been completed. Thanks to Patricia Iraci and the Food Services Department who received stellar scores on their most recent health inspections.

## **C. Action Items**

1. Act to hire Dianne Corbett, SPED teacher for the 2022-2023 school year at MA, Step 9, \$72,347.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to hire Dianne Corbett, SPED teacher for the 2022-2023 school year at MA, Step 9, \$72,347.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-075**

2. First reading of revised policy #4118.11 *Nondiscrimination*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to approve the first reading of revised policy #4118.11 *Nondiscrimination*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-076**

3. First reading of revised policy #5131.6 *Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to approve the first reading of revised policy #5131.6 *Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-077**

4. First reading of revised policy #5132 *Dress and Grooming*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the first reading of revised policy #5132 *Dress and Grooming*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-078**

5. First reading of **new policy** #5141.72 *Student Sports/Emergency Action Plan*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the first reading of **new policy** #5141.72 *Student Sports/Emergency Action Plan*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-079**

Notice was given that this is in the beginning stages and will become much more involved.

6. First reading of revised policy/regulation #5145.12 *Search and Seizure*

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to approve the first reading of revised policy/regulation #5145.12 *Search and Seizure*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-080**

7. First reading of revised policy #6141.51 *Advanced Courses or Programs*

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the first reading of revised policy #6141.51 *Advanced Courses or Programs*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-081**

8. First reading of revised policy #6146 *Graduation*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the first reading of revised policy #6146 *Graduation*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-082**

9. First reading of **new policy** #6172.1 *Gifted and Talented*.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the first reading of **new policy** #6172.1 *Gifted and Talented*.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-083**

10. Act to approve job description for Dean of Culture and Student Liaison.

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the job description for Dean of Culture and Student Liaison.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-084**

11. Act to approve job description for Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA).

A MOTION was made by Priscilla Cretella and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to approve the job description for Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA).

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-085**

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Yamin will share staff and parent surveys.

**XI. ITEMS for NEXT BOE AGENDA**

Mr. Yamin will include contracts.

**XII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

SEL Night at PES & LLES

**XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Personnel and Negotiations Committee: **Next meeting 5/25/22, 6:00 p.m. D.O.**

B. Facilities and Transportation Committee

C. Curriculum Committee

D. Policy Committee: **Meeting held 5/18/22 virtually.**

E. Public Communications

F. Technology Committee

G. Recognition Committee

H. Liaisons:

1. Schools

2. Wellness Committee

3. Professional Development Committee

4. 2COM

I. Parent Advisory Council: **Meeting held 5/18/22 virtually.**

J. Interdepartmental Safety Committee: **Meeting held 5/19/22 virtually.**

#### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION was made by Ben Catanzaro and SECONDED by Tiffany Burkitt-Lyga to adjourn the May 25, 2022 Board of Education meeting at 7:38 p.m.

**ALL IN FAVOR** (weighted vote totals 6.7)

**22-086**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** June 15, 2022, Woodland Regional High School, 7:00 p.m.