

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
Special Board of Education Meeting
December 10, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

		Weighted Vote <u>Per Member</u>
<i>Beacon Falls...</i>	Christine Arnold	.7
	Priscilla Cretella	.7
	Ben Catanzaro	.7
	Erik Dey	.7
<i>Prospect...</i>	Robert Dyer	1.3
	Nazih Noujaim	1.3
	Roxanne Vaillancourt	1.3

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Yamin, Superintendent of Schools
Tony DiLeone, Dir. of Finance and Business Operations
Michele Raynor, Curriculum Director
Rima McGeehan, Principal PES
Matthew Brennan, Director of Technology
Shelly McNulty, Director of Special Ed & Pupil Services
Annette Hart – PES 5th Grade Science Teacher

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Priscilla Cretella, Vice Chairman, at 7:03 p.m. in the Region 16 District Office, 30 Coer Road, Prospect, CT.

A. Roll Call

A roll was taken; a quorum was present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Revision/Additions to Agenda Order

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of November 20, 2019, Board of Education Meeting (Ex.1)

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Roxann Vaillancourt to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019, Board of Education Meeting (Ex. I)

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 6.7) **19-132**

III. COMMENT

A. Town Officials

B. Public Comments *Note: The BOE will not reply to comments made at a meeting. However, either the Superintendent or Board Chair will respond to a concern within five business days*

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Prospect registrar of voters re student efforts on Election Day.
2. Letter from Food Service inviting local police to lunch at our schools.
3. Meghan Geary, CT Teacher of the Year, Introduction.
4. Letter to legislators to support law change.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Noujaim read the report as follows:

Balance in General Fund as of 12/10/19:	\$7,280,322.42
Tonight's invoices total:	\$1,528,316.79
General Fund:	\$1,524,158.49
Federal and State Grants:	\$1,875.00
Adult Ed, Other Grants, Athletic Fund:	\$2,283.30
Capital Non Recurring Project	\$0.00

VI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT (Emma Flaherty, Gavin Moffat)

Miss Flaherty delivered this evening's report.

VII. EXEMPLARY PEOPLE, PROGRAMS and AWARDS

1. Annette Hart for CAS recognition for creativity and innovation in classroom.
Ms. Hart was recognized with a certificate from the BOE and kind words and flowers from her Principal, Dr. McGeehan.

VIII. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

A. Superintendent's Update

1. Update on 12/4/19 CT TOY event at Bushnell (see pictures).
2. CAPSS student award banquet on 12/5/19 (see student bios LRMS/WRHS).
3. Budget update.

B. Action Items

1. Act to hire new certified staff for 2019-2020. (Kaitlin Acabbo)

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to hire new certified staff for 2019-2020. (Kaitlin Acabbo) as 1.0 FTE Mathematics Teacher at WRHS, MA+30, Step 14, \$86,101 pro-rated.

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2. Act to elect new officers for Board of Education: Chair. Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to nominate Priscilla Cretella to be Chair of the Board of Education.

Ms. Cretella asked if there were any other nominations, there were none. With no other nominations, the vote was called.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Vote for Priscilla Cretella for Chair</u>
Christine Arnold	x
Priscilla Cretella	x
Ben Catanzaro	x
Robert Dyer	x
Nazih Noujaim	x
Erik Dey	x
Roxann Vaillancourt	x

MOTION TO ELECT Priscilla Cretella to office of Chair passes by a vote of 7.

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At this point, the meeting was turned over to the new Chairperson, Priscilla Cretella.

A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and **SECONDED** by Erik Dey to nominate Robert Hiscox to be Vice Chair of the Board of Education.

Ms. Cretella asked if there were any other nominations, there were none. With no other nominations, the vote was called.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Vote for Robert Hiscox for Vice Chair</u>
Christine Arnold	x
Priscilla Cretella	x
Ben Catanzaro	x
Robert Dyer	x
Nazih Noujaim	x
Erik Dey	x
Roxann Vaillancourt	x

MOTION TO ELECT Robert Hiscox to office of Vice Chair passes by a vote of 7.

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A MOTION was made by Nazih Noujaim and **SECONDED** by Roxann Vaillancourt to nominate Christine Arnold to be Secretary of the Board of Education.

Ms. Cretella asked if there were any other nominations, there were none. With no other nominations, the vote was called.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Vote for Christine Arnold for Secretary</u>
Christine Arnold	x
Priscilla Cretella	x
Ben Catanzaro	x
Robert Dyer	x
Nazih Noujaim	x
Erik Dey	x
Roxann Vaillancourt	x

MOTION TO ELECT Christine Arnold to the office of Secretary passes by a vote of 7.
ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 6.7) **19-136**

MOTION was made by Christine Arnold and SECONDED by Erik Dey to nominate Nazih Noujaim to be Treasurer of the Board of Education.

Ms. Cretella asked if there were any other nominations, there were none. With no other nominations, the vote was called.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Vote for Nazih Noujaim for Treasurer</u>
Christine Arnold	x
Priscilla Cretella	x
Ben Catanzaro	x
Robert Dyer	x
Nazih Noujaim	x
Erik Dey	x
Roxann Vaillancourt	x

MOTION TO ELECT Nazih Noujaim to office of Treasurer passes by a vote of 7.
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C. Director of Finance and Business Operations Report

Mr. DiLeone anticipates that EFS will be finalized by December 20, 2019. Savings in regards to participation in an insurance collaboration is being looked into. The business office has begun to discuss reorganization of data to allow for better reporting and decision making. Budget packets are due back from administrators on Friday. A letter has been drafted to the state legislators to allow regional school districts to carry the same 2 percent of the general fund surplus into the capital non-recurring fund as local school districts are permitted.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. ITEMS for NEXT BOE AGENDA

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

XIII. ENROLLMENT (Ex. II) December 2019

XIV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board members submitted their selections to Superintendent Yamin as to which Committees they wish to serve. The Board Chair will review and finalize the selections at the next meeting.

- A. Personnel and Negotiations Committee
- B. Facilities and Transportation Committee – **Meeting Minutes of 11/20/19**
- C. Curriculum Committee – **Meeting Minutes of 11/20/19**
- D. Policy Committee - **will be held in January.**
- E. Public Communications
- F. Technology Committee
- G. Recognition Committee
- H. Liaisons:
 - 1. Schools
 - 2. Wellness Committee - **message from the Committee in the BOE packets.**
 - 3. Professional Development Committee: **Meetings 4- Monday of month, D.O. 3:30 p.m.**
 - 4. 2COM
- I. Parent Advisory Council

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Robert Dyer and SECONDED by Christine Arnold to adjourn the Special Board of Education Meeting of December 10, 2019, at 7:30 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR (weighted vote totals 6.7)

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING: January 15, 2020, Woodland Regional High School

Christine Arnold,

Board Secretary

*These minutes are subject to Board Approval,
Kelly Blum, Board Clerk*