

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
October 23, 2017

Board Members Present: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer
(With Notice)

Administration Present: Robinson Timmerman McCabe Barr Guinn Kincaid Dobbs

Legal Counsel Present:

Guests: 11

Call to Order: President Mrs. Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the board room at the Administration Building.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer
(with notice) Absent: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer

Acceptance of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Osterholm, Second by Mrs. Bonkowski to accept the Agenda
Motion Carried: Unanimous

Public Participation: No public participation

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Mrs. Simon, Second by Mrs. Bonkowski, that the Board approves the following consent agenda items.

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2017
2. Approval of Expenditures for September, 2017 of \$210,557.13

Motion Carried: Unanimous

Communications: Mrs. Patton informed the board that the community dinner will be held on November 17, 2017 with dinner at 6:00 at the high school. She also wanted to share with the board that the monthly board dinner in Utica may take a little longer to get to due to construction.

Presentation: Ms. Jennifer Watkins, from Yeo and Yeo CPA's, presented to the board the audit report. Power point presentation attached which is a summary of the audit. The board was informed that the district is officially out of deficit and has received a clean opinion. The official audit is attached to this report.

Reports of the Superintendent for Action:

- 1) Report 70, Approval of 2016-2017 Audit Report** Motion by Mrs. Simon, Second by Mrs. Bonkowski to approve the 2016-17 Official Audit Report as presented by Yeo and Yeo, the districts official auditing firm

Motion Carried: Unanimous

The board took a short break to celebrate being out of deficit.

- 2) Report 71, Approval of NHCS Official District Logo** Motion by Mr. Osterholm, Second by Mrs. Bonkowski to approve the recommendation set forth by the Board of Education to approve a new official logo as outlined in this report.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

- 3) Report 72, Personnel Action – Business Office Manager Posting** Motion by Mrs. Bonkowski, Second by Mrs. Patton to approve and authorize administration to execute a posting for a Business Office Manager as outlined in this report.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

- 4) Report 73, Personnel Action – Business Office Consultant Position** Motion by Mrs. Bonkowski, Second by Mrs. France to approve and authorize administration to execute a search for a part time Business Office Consultant as outlined in this report.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

Report of the Superintendent for Information:

- 5) Report 74, Personnel Update.** Current postings: Special Education Paraprofessional at Endeavour, GSRP Associate Teacher, Bus Driver, and Transportation Dispatcher.

- 6) Report 75, Technology Update.** Mr. Harms presented to the board at the September 25th regular board meeting some current priority projects that should be considered from the remaining 2006 bond funds. Mr. Robinson provided to the board quotes that would replace current staff laptops with desktop computers. The cost of the project would be approximately 74,648.00 through REMC Bids. The board was also given information to review for the potential surveillance options for the high school concession building and surrounding area.

- 7) Report 76, NHCS Early Literacy Intervention Program .** Mr. Robinson presented to the board information of the PA0306 which took effect this school year. The act is to monitor the 3rd graders to see if they are on their reading level. Information was sent home with students on October 13, 2017 and IRP's will be discussed with parents at conferences this week.

Unfinished Business/New Business: Mrs. Bonkowski asked how the athletic card system/concession stand is going since implementing it. She also asked if students were allowed to work in the concession stand? Mrs. Bonkowski also asked how from a revenue perspective are the groups able to come up with the money. Business Office responded to this question with it is more controlled and going well. Mrs. Bonkowski rephrased her question to ask if the different groups in the high schools i.e., class groups, still have avenues to raise money. Mrs. Walker said most of the people that were doing the concession stand

fundraisers are now doing the Texas Holdem events through the community boosters, the school etc, depending on who is holding the license. Items like state rings, etc need to be personally funded and not by the district. Mr. Osterholm asked how the athletic card is actually running. Mr. Robinson said he would get that information to the board after the fall season closes out. Mr. Osterholm also asked if there is talk about taking this to the middle school. Mr. Robinson replied that we need to get the high school program running smoothly then we can bring it down to the middle school level. Mr. Packer brought up that the middle school calendar was not working and you have to dig to the information. Mr. Packer had concerns regarding the middle school calendar and it does not appear to be updated as the other schools are. He would like to see the staff responding with better customer service. Mr. Robinson is aware of the issue with the calendar and it is being resolved. Mrs. Walker had some discussions with the custodians at the high school because she noticed that the grounds are less than perfect, they will spend more time doing that. Mrs. Walker would like to see all the buildings get a little more attention from the custodians. Mrs. Walker also informed the board that she has met with all the principals and will be attending their staff meetings if any other board member would like to attend as well. The biggest item the principals' would like to see improvement in would be district curriculum. Mr. Robinson said that the teachers are working on this and the district is looking into ways to get the curriculum updated for all grade levels. At the November 6th workshop this will be addressed more. Mr. Robinson suggested that establishing a curriculum cycle should be something that is considered.

Adjournment: Motion by Mrs. Patton, second by Mr. Osterholm, to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Regina Patton". The signature is enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Regina Mrs. Patton, Secretary
New Haven Board of Education