

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
October 8, 2018

Board Members Present: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton (arrived at 6:11 pm) Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Walker Mrs. Bonkowski Mrs. Patton (arrived at 6:11 with notice)
 Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer
(With Notice)

Administration Present: VanSweden Timmerman McCabe Barr Lenhardt Shepard
 Medina Dobbs

Guests: 4

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 (late with notice 6:11 p.m.)
 Mrs. Simon Mr. Osterholm Mrs. France Mr. Packer with notice

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

Public Participation: None at this time.

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

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2018

Motion Carried: Unanimous – Absent Packer, Patton

Communications: MCASB Dinner hosted by Anchor Bay at 6:30 pm on October 23, 2018

Reports of the Superintendent for Action:

- 1) **Report 24, Personnel Update .** Motion by Mr. Osterholm, Second by Mrs. Bonkowski to approve and authorize administration to execute the contracts for Deborah Greenaway and Carolyn Thiel as stated in this report.

Motion Carried: Unanimous – Absent Packer, Patton

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Report of the Superintendent for Information:


- 2) **Report 25, Personnel Update Coaches and Advisors.** Superintendent VanSweden updated the board on NHHS Coaches and Advisor Personnel.
- 3) **Report 26, NH United November 15 at 5:00 pm NHCS to host this event.** When the event gets closer NH United will send out more out more information and an email address to RSVP for the event.
- 4) **Report 27, Village of New Haven/Lenox Community Dinner – November 16 at 6:00 pm at New Haven High School**
- 5) **Report 28, NSBA Equity Symposium and Advocacy Institute-** Mrs. VanSweden provided the board information on this event to see their interest in attending. Board had a discussion on attending and will email Mrs. VanSweden if they are interested in attending. This conference is at the end of January, 2019. Mrs. Bonkowski suggests at least two board members to attend.
- 6) **Report 29, Board Workshop – November 5, Reschedule Date?** Superintendent VanSweden suggested having the workshop after the election so the new board members could attend. The board agreed to have the workshop on **November 12, 2018 at 5:30 pm**. The board meeting for that date will be cancelled unless there are action items that need to be addressed. The board will leave November 26th meeting scheduled as of now, with the possibility of canceling meeting.
- 7) **Report 30, Transportation – Incentive Plan to hire drivers.** The board had a discussion regarding the incentive program. The board asked the Superintendent to bring more information to them on the financial scenarios of offering incentives, higher pay, and offering SACC to drivers (opening SACC earlier). Mr. Lenhardt to put together a financial analysis of what it would look like getting rid of incentives, raising pay, and giving drivers more hours (several scenarios). This will be brought back to the board at the next regular meeting to have more discussion on this. District is holding off on the incentive to staff until a complete financial analysis is done.

Unfinished Business: Mr. Osterholm would like to find out how beneficial it might be to switch Endeavour Elementary and Middle School to the same time. The students would then be on the same bus saving the district money in the transportation area as well as wear and tear on the busses. Superintendent VanSweden will look into this more. Mrs. Walker would recommend a survey to community and staff on this issue. Mr. Osterholm also wanted to discuss if and when do we buy another bus. Mrs. VanSweden said she would look into this. She has not seen a report that shows the age, mileage, and other conditions on our current fleet of busses. Mrs. Walker believes that we also need to start having a discussion on outsourcing this department. This is not an option the district would like to go, but a conversation needs to take place, considering the issues we are having with the busses and getting enough staff.

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Adjournment: Motion by Mrs. Patton, second by Mr. Osterholm, to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 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