

Draft Minutes of 3/27/2017 BOE Meeting

Monday, March 27, 2017 7:00 PM

Draft Minutes of 3/27/17 Meeting, 4 Vision Boulevard, Somers, CT 06071

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING – MARCH 27, 2017

Members Present: B. Devlin, D. Palmer (arrived at 7:02 p.m.), R. Lees, Jr., S. Moynihan
 Bollinger, J. Anderson, A. Kirkpatrick, M. Marquardt, B. Capuano
Members Absent: K. McLellan
Administrators Present: Dr. M. Suffredini, B. Boutwell, Dr. D. Messina, Dr. I. Zytka
Staff Present: G. Cotzin
Citizens Present: J. Coleman (SHS Booster Club President)
Students Present:
Others: M. Krementowski (J.I.)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Devlin in the Mabelle B. Avery Middle School Board of Education meeting room.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES****3.1. Board of Education Minutes of 2/27/2017 Meeting**

February 27, 2017 – It was **MOVED** (S. Bollinger), **SECONDED** (M. Marquardt) to approve the amended February 27, 2017 Board of Education meeting minutes. **PASSED 8-0.**

4.0 AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS

It was **MOVED** (A. Kirkpatrick), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to add agenda item 8.2 – Somers High Booster President Jim Coleman. **PASSED 8-0.**

It was **MOVED** (B. Capuano), **SECONDED** (S. Bollinger) to move agenda item 8.2 – Somers High Booster President Jim Coleman up in the agenda to present. Dr. Suffredini introduced Mr. Coleman to the BOE. **PASSED 8-0.**

8.2. Somers High Booster President Jim Coleman

It was **MOVED** (D. Palmer), **SECONDED** (B. Capuano) to agree having the BOE and Dr. Suffredini work to financially support the installation and infrastructure of the electrical component(s) of the track timing system as well as adding score boards to the fields. **PASSED 8-0.**

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Devlin received an anonymous letter.

6.0 OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS**7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

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- It was **MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (M. Marquardt)** to approve the 3/13/17 bills in the amount of \$422,205.38 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**
- It was **MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (M. Marquardt)** to approve the 3/27/17 bills in the amount of \$166,714.68 as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

8.0 NEW BUSINESS**8.1. First Warning – Curriculum Committee – Two Books for Somers High School: One for Grade 9 Honors English and One for Grade 11 & 12 Fantasy Elective Course**

Dr. I. Zytka discussed the two books to be purchased for SHS:

- A new textbook, *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare, will be purchased for the 9th grade Honors English class. This will provide early exposure of Shakespeare's work with comedies as well as balance to the curriculum. This book will replace *Julius Caesar*; however, the students will still have exposure to *Julius Caesar* through excerpts.
- A new Fantasy Elective Course has been added for 11th and 12th grade students. A new textbook, *Eyes of the Dragon* by Stephen King, was proposed. This book offers a modern take on the classic hero's journey that is used in Fantasy curriculum.

**8.2. Somers High Booster President Jim Coleman
Agenda item moved under agenda item 4.0.****9.0 OLD BUSINESS****9.1. Second Warning – Policy 5141.213 Student – Administering Medications, Narcan Revision**

It was **MOVED (B. Capuano), SECONDED (A. Kirkpatrick)** to approve Policy 5141.213 – Student – Administering Medications, Narcan Revision as presented. **PASSED 8-0.**

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**10.1. Somers High School 2017-2018 Class Sizes**

Mr. G. Cotzin, SHS Principal, updated the Board on the 2017-2018 class sizes. He distributed the updated information to the BOE and reported that only a few adjustments had been made with minimal scheduling changes.

11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Minutes will be taken at all subcommittee meetings.

11.1. Budget – No report.**11.2. Curriculum – No report.****11.3. Policy – A. Kirkpatrick reported that new binders were distributed to committee**

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members. The next meeting will be held on April 24, 2017 at 6 p.m. prior to the BOE meeting.

11.4. Salary & Negotiations – D. Palmer reported that there will be a discussion in Executive Session.

11.5. Planning – Dr. Suffredini reported that a determination regarding how to modify the current long-range plan will be made following the town report. S. Bollinger offered to serve on the committee as a representative from the BOE.

11.6. Other Committees – None.

12.0 OTHER

12.1. EXECUTIVE SESSION – to discuss UFCWU negotiations and ratification. Dr. Suffredini and Mr. Boutwell will be invited to attend this executive session.

It was MOVED (J. Anderson), SECONDED (M. Marquardt) to enter into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss UFCWU negotiations and ratification and to invite Dr. Suffredini and Mr. Boutwell into executive session. PASSED 8-0.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:34 p.m.

12.2 Board Meeting resumed at 7:35 pm

12.1. It was MOVED (D. Palmer), SECONDED (M. Marquardt) to approve the UFCWU contract as presented. PASSED 8-0.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED (M. Marquardt), SECONDED (B. Capuano) to adjourn the BOE meeting at 7:38 p.m. PASSED 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

**Rick Lees, Jr., Secretary
Shannin Burns, Recording Secretary**

These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.