

The Regional School District 13 Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the music room at Korn School. Board members present: Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Fronc, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Hicks (8:10 p.m.), Dr. Ochterski, Ms. Parsons, Mr. Renninghoff. Also present: Mr. Melnik

Mrs. Flanagan called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. with the recital Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Flanagan.

Public Comment: No public comment.

On a motion by Mr. Renninghoff, second Ms. Parsons, the Board of Education unanimously approved the agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Renninghoff, second Mrs. Boyle, the Board of Education unanimously approved the minutes of April 4, 2013.

Mrs. Flanagan asked for a motion to approve the minutes of April 10, 2013. Ms. Parsons asked that the minutes be amended to show the date of meeting as April 10, 2013 and not March 27, 2013.

On a motion by Ms. Parsons, second Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Fronc, Mr. Fulton, Dr. Ochterski, and Mr. Renninghoff voted yes. Mrs. Adams abstained.

Communications: Mrs. Fronc reported on behalf of the Coginchaug Soccer League stating that fields and facilities are being used by members of other communities and not available for use by our kids. After much discussion it was decided that the issue would be brought up to Mrs. Viccaro for a solution.

Mrs. Flanagan reported that she was involved in a conference call on the issue of the transportation grant. She stated that Senator Meyer was very supportive and she urged members of both communities to contact their legislators. It was also reported that District administrators have reached out to parents either via email or the parent portal.

Presentation by Dr. Berry: Dr. Berry presented to the Board an update on the Teacher/Administration Evaluation Plan to be implemented in the 2013-2014 school year. Dr. Berry provided the Board with two handouts explaining the work the committee, consisting of teachers and administrators has done during this school year. Administrators were available at the meeting to answer questions from the Board and also to voice their concerns on the educator evaluation plan.

Mrs. Flanagan thanked the committee for their work and stated that the first year will be a learning year. The key is to communicate and educate the public. Mrs. Flanagan also thanked Dr. Berry for her presentation.

On a motion by Mrs. Boyle, second Mr. Fulton, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Fronc, Mr. Hicks, Dr. Ochterski, Ms. Parsons, and Mr. Renninghoff voted yes to accept the Educator Evaluation Plans. Mrs. Adams voted no.

Policy Committee:

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Adams the Board of Education unanimously approved the Policy Committee's recommendations on Capital Assets 3322 policy.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Adams the Board of Education unanimously approved the Policy Committee's recommendations on FMLA 4151 and 4251 policies.

A motion was made by Mr. Hicks and second by Mr. Renninghoff to approve the Policy Committee's recommendations on Bloodborne Pathogens 4160 and 4260 policies. Mr. Renninghoff suggested that under IV. Hepatitis B Vaccination, subsection A be amended to include religious reasons and under subsection B to correct a typing error.

On a motion by Mr. Renninghoff, second Ms. Parsons the Board of Education unanimously approved Section IV, subsection A and B as amended under Bloodborne Pathogens 4160 and 4260 policies.

A motion was made by Mr. Renninghoff, second Ms. Parsons to strike wording on page 3, subsection A, paragraph 9. After much discussion Mr. Renninghoff withdrew the motion. Ms. Parsons agreed.

On a motion by Mr. Renninghoff, second Ms. Parsons, Mr. Renninghoff voted yes to include the word "risks" to pg. 3, paragraph 9 to read " explaining the benefits and risks." Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Fronc, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Hicks, Dr. Ochterski, and Ms. Parsons voted no. Wording to stay as is.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Ms. Parsons, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Fronc, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Hicks, Dr. Ochterski, and Ms. Parsons voted yes to approve Bloodborne Pathogens 4160 and 4260 policies as amended. Mr. Renninghoff voted no.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Adams, the Board of Education unanimously approved Student Records 5125 policy as presented.

Mrs. Boyle asked about keeping student records and also a question about the concession stand came up. Policy committee will follow up on these two items.

Mr. Hicks stated that the Policy Committee will meet on Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

Curriculum Committee: Mrs. Adams reported that the committee met on Tuesday and discussed the High School Improvement Plan, evaluating all day kindergarten and the new evaluation plan for teachers and administrators.

Finance Committee: Mr. Fulton reported that the oil and diesel commitment has been finalized. Listed below are the figures that have been agreed on:

FY 2013-14 BUDGET							
Category	Gallons	Budget	Lock	Net	Savings		Prepay
Heating oil	90,000	\$3.50	\$3.24	\$0.26	\$23,400.00		\$3.21
Diesel	57,837	\$3.50	\$3.18	\$0.32	\$18,507.84		\$3.15
<b>Total</b>	<b>147,837</b>		<b>\$475,522</b>		<b>\$41,907.84</b>		

The committee is working on a proposal for the utilization study and they also discussed contingency plans if the budget does not pass.

Other Committees: Mr. Hicks advised the Board that ACES is involved in a lawsuit and they are the one that is suing.

Ms. Parsons wanted to know if anyone got back to Mr. Parmelee regarding questions he had asked at the Public Hearing. Mr. Melnik stated that he was going to discuss these issues with him. Ms. Parsons also inquired about an email that a parent sent and Mrs. Flanagan stated she had made contact with this parent.

Follow Up:

1. Use of facilities
2. Policy on retention of records
3. Paper work for concession stand

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Boyle the Board of Education unanimously approved to move onto Executive Session to discuss teacher non-renewals.

Dr. Berry was invited to attend.

The Board of Education returned to regular session.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Adams, the Board of Education unanimously moved that the contract of employment of Amy Sorensen, Christina Zauner, Ashley Hillard, and Sarah Kling not be renewed for the following year upon its expiration at the end of the 2012- 2013 school year, and that the Superintendent of Schools is directed to advise such persons in writing of this action.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mr. Renninghoff the Board of Education unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Maureen Johnson*