The Regular Meeting of the Regional School District 14 Board of Education was held Monday, November 3, 2014 at Nonnewaug High School, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present: Board members George Bauer, Carol Ann Brown, John Chapman, Charles Cosgriff, Michael Devine, Janet Morgan, Maryanne Van Aken and Pamela Zmek; Superintendent Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Ed.D., Director of Finance and Operations Wayne McAllister; Director of Instruction Sue Domanico; Superintendent Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Ed.D., Student Representative Stephanie Lewis; Board Clerk Deb Carlton; and one member of the press.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Bauer called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Bauer led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Student Representative

Stephanie reported on recent and upcoming activities in the schools, including a family bingo night scheduled for 11/13 and an assembly with Jeff Blum on 11/14 at BES; a clothing drive 11/6-8 and spirit day on 11/7 at MES; spirit week last week at WMS; and spirit week at NHS last week finishing with a pep rally on Friday, a sports update on state competitions starting this week, including volleyball earning their first ever BL title, and FFA teams returned from Louisville with medals in hand.

4. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Bauer requested a *motion to approve the special meeting minutes of October 16, 2014.* Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Cosgriff, the motion carried 8-0.
Mr. Bauer requested *a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 20, 2014.* Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Cosgriff, the motion carried 7-0-1 with Ms. Morgan abstaining.
Mr. Bauer requested a motion to approve the special meeting minutes of October 28, 2014. Entered by Ms. Van Aken and seconded by Mr. Cosgriff, the motion carried 7-0-1 with Ms. Zmek abstaining.

5. Information and Proposals

A. Committee Reports

For Ad hoc Safety, Ms. Van Aken reported that the safety plan has been delivered to the state; phones are in at the elementary schools; and cameras will soon be installed.
Mr. Chapman asked for a schedule for camera installation.
Mr. McAllister said he is working with DAS to select an approved vendor to subcontract with for the project.

B. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Cutaia-Leonard expanded on several items from her report to the board, including preparedness for Ebola. She attended a meeting along with key town officials Bill Butterly, Ms. Morgan and Randy Ashmore in response to the directive to be as prepared as possible. Schools are taking inventory of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), and the district will work with our medical director and our nurses on a response plan. We will take guidance from our health director, she said, but ultimately it falls to the Superintendent to make decisions regarding children in district who may contract Ebola. She will also join the LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee), which meets quarterly.
Also, professional learning for teachers is scheduled for tomorrow, including training in positive behavior support, Bloomboard, technology training, school improvement planning, targeted literacy, and early learning development standards at the preschool, to name a few topics.
Finally, she expressed gratitude for the welcome reception on Sunday, thanking those who attended and board members who planned the event. It was heartwarming, she said, and she enjoyed meeting all the guests.
Ms. Morgan asked for numbers of blocked/unblocked websites this month.
Dr. Cutaia-Leonard said she would get those to her.

C. Board Members' Comments

Mr. Bauer reviewed recent activities in the district, including the FFA Legislative Open House on 10/23; Internet Safety Meeting on 10/27; and the second board retreat on 10/28. He also thanked Ms. Brown and Ms. Van Aken for their efforts with the welcome reception yesterday. He commented that the building committee will be moving forward again, and anyone interested in serving on it should contact him or Mr. McAllister.

Ms. Brown thanked Mike Preato, from *Voices,* as well as the Republican-American, for recent coverage in their papers. She also thanked Ms. Van Aken and John Dominello for their help with the welcome reception for Dr. Cutaia-Leonard.

6. Privilege of the Floor

Mr. Cosgriff read an email authored by Joyce Drakeley, praising our students for their conduct during the recent candidates forum on 10/28.

7. New Business requiring Board action

Mr. Devine entered the following motion: *Move that the Board of Education authorize Superintendent Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Ed.D. to sign an agreement, and to sign claims for reimbursement, with the CT State Department of Education, Bureau of Health/Nutrition, Family Services and Adult Education; and, to authorize Director of Finance/Operations, Wayne McAllister, to sign in her absence.* Seconded by Ms. Van Aken, the motion carried 8-0.

Mr. Chapman entered the following motion: *Move that the Board of Education approve the 2015 Regular Meeting Schedule as presented.* Seconded by Ms. Van Aken, the motion carried 8-0.

Mr. Chapman entered the following motion: *Move that the Board of Education approve the 2014-15 Regional School District 14 Board of Education Goals as presented.* Seconded by Ms. Van Aken, the motion carried 8-0.

Mr. Cosgriff entered the following motion: *Move that the Board of Education approve the agreement between Regional School District 14 and Local 1303-247 of Council #4 AFSCME, AFL-CIO Nonnewaug School Nurses for the term July 1, 2014-June 30, 2017.* Seconded by Mr. Chapman. Mr. McAllister reviewed the contract and financial impact. Motion carried 8-0.

8. Future Meetings

Mr. Bauer reviewed upcoming meetings:

Friday/Saturday, November 14-15, 2014, CABE/CAPSS Convention
Tuesday, November 18, 2014, BoE Meeting, NHS LMC, 7:30 pm
Monday, December 1, 2014, BoE Meeting, NHS LMC, 7:30 pm
Monday, December 15, 2014, BoE Meeting, NHS LMC, 7:30 pm

9. Adjournment

Ms. Van Aken entered a *motion to adjourn*.
Seconded by Mr. Devine, the motion carried 8-0.
The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Carol Ann Brown, Secretary
Regional School District #14 Board of Education

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Debra W. Carlton, Board Clerk, 11/4/2014