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Board of Education Nominations Meeting Regional School District 14

May 12, 2011

A District Meeting of Regional School District 14 was held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2011, in the Library of Nonnewaug High School, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, CT.

Approximately 30 members of the community were present, including 2 members of the press.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chairman Stephen Sordi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

II. APPOINTMENT OF MODERATOR

Mr. Sordi appointed Mr. Lou DeLuca to serve as moderator for the evening.

III. APPOINTMENT OF MEETING CLERK BY MODERATOR

Mr. DeLuca appointed Ms. Debra Carlton to serve as meeting clerk

IV. CALL OF MEETING

Mr. DeLuca read the following call:

All electors and citizens who are qualified to vote in town meetings of the Towns of Bethlehem and Woodbury, Connecticut, are hereby notified and warned that a District Meeting of Regional School District 14 will be held in the Library of Nonnewaug High School, Woodbury, Connecticut on Thursday, May 12, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.

Purpose: To nominate candidates, at least three from Bethlehem and at least three from Woodbury, to fill four seats on the Regional School District Board of Education for the term of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014

V. NOMINATIONS

Mr. DeLuca opened the floor for nominations.

George Hale, Woodbury, nominated Maryanne VanAken, Woodbury.

Jeanne Hawley seconded the nomination and said a few words about Ms. VanAken's experience and qualifications to serve.

Leesa Peters read an acceptance letter from Ms. VanAken, who was unable to be present.

Pam Peck, Woodbury, nominated **John Chapman**, Woodbury, and said a few words about Mr. Chapman's experience and qualifications to serve.

Ms. Hawley seconded the nomination.

Mr. Chapman accepted the nomination, and spoke briefly about his motivation to serve and goal of moving the district forward.

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David LaManna, Woodbury, nominated **Stephen Sordi**, Bethlehem, and read a speech highlighting Mr. Sordi's accomplishments and qualifications to serve.

Duncan McDougall, Woodbury, seconded the nomination.

Mr. Sordi accepted the nomination, and spoke briefly about his accomplishments on the Board and goals moving forward.

Tom O'Neil, Bethlehem, nominated **John Swendsen**, Bethlehem, and spoke briefly of Mr. Swendsen's experience and qualifications to serve.

Connie Kacerguis seconded the nomination.

Mr. Swendsen accepted the nomination and spoke briefly about his experience and motivation to serve.

Jack Crann, Bethlehem, nominated **Sophiezane Bartlett**, Bethlehem, and spoke briefly about Ms. Bartlett's qualifications and experience in education.

Joyce O'Neil seconded the nomination.

Ms. Bartlett accepted the nomination and spoke briefly of her experience and desire to serve.

Pam Racevicius, Woodbury, nominated **Scott Baider**, Woodbury, and spoke briefly of Mr. Baider's experience on the board and qualifications to serve. Ed Roden, Bethlehem, seconded the nomination.

Holly Baider accepted the nomination for her husband, who was not able to attend.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further nominations, Mr. DeLuca adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

<u>Debra W. Carlton</u>
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Meeting Clerk