

SALISBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION -1- REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2018 FINAL

Present: Mr. David Valcin, Presiding; Ms. Joanne Hayhurst, Ms. Jacquie Rice, Mr. David Bayersdorfer, Dr. Natalia Smirnova, Board Members; Dr. Pam Vogel, Superintendent; Mr. Lisa Carter, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Jennifer Weigel, Reg. One Rep.; Mrs. Stephanie Magyar, Principal; Mrs. Donna Begley, Ms. Kristen Neary, Ms. Mary Bush, Miss Raydin Neary, Mrs. Tracy Dowd, SCS Teachers; Mrs. Sue Bucceri, Board Clerk; Mr. Mike Clulow, Mr. Seth Churchill, Ms. Abeth Slotnick, Town Building Committee; Mr. Mike Flint, Videographer; Mrs. Ruth Epstein, Press

Call to Order: Mr. Valcin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

BOE Recognition: Mr. Valcin recognized Mr. Michael Clulow, Mr. Seth Churchill and Ms. Abeth Slotnick for their hard work and dedication during the past two years while the school renovation project was done. Their extensive knowledge of finance, construction and design were invaluable during the process and a large part of why the project was completed on schedule and under budget.

Mrs. Magyar put forward Mrs. Gail Clark, SCS middle school secretary, to be honored at the next regular meeting on November 26th.

Spotlight on Learning: Achievement Data and What We Do With It – Five SCS teachers and two middle school students gave a presentation on the different assessment tools that are used at SCS and how the data obtained through these tools is used by teachers and students.

Minutes: Ms. Hayhurst made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2018 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rice and approved unanimously.

Financial Report - 18-19 Budget Summary: Mrs. Bucceri presented a financial summary of the 18-19 budget through September 30, 2018 as well as a Capital Reserve update.

Ms. Hayhurst made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rice and approved unanimously.

Written Communication to the BOE: There was none.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: There was none.

School Related Organizations: PTO – Mrs. Magyar reported that the annual spell-a-thon will be held in the fall this year. It is scheduled for November 9th. The PTO book fair will be held the first week of December in conjunction with the SCS Showcase scheduled for December 4th. The PTO's next meeting will be held on November 8th.

Pope Committee – Mr. Valcin suggested the BOE to become familiar with and follow the ongoing local discussion of what the Town of Salisbury will decide to do with the Pope property. The final decision will impact local families and therefore impact the students that attend SCS. The Pope Committee will meet again on October 24th and November 28th at 6:30 p.m.

Regional/School/BOE Committee Reports: Region One – Ms. Weigel reported on HVRHS news and activities. Topics covered included NEASC accreditation, new staff, new beginning accounting/marketing classes, Reg. One BOE policy review and self-evaluation, IT Director shared services, foreign exchange students and upcoming international field trips.

ABC Committee – Mr. Valcin reported that the ABC Committee completed the Superintendent evaluation at their last meeting. The final evaluation documents can be obtained by emailing Dr. Vogel. The agenda for the next committee meeting includes the Superintendent's goals and the CREC technology audit report. The ABC Committee will be working on a proposal for a regional IT position which will be presented to the local boards at a later date.

BOE B&G Committee Update – Mr. Valcin reported that the final details of the renovation project are currently being completed. New picnic tables have been purchased. A plan to replace the split rail fence at the middle school is being finalized. The new middle school Learning Commons is complete and will be the location of the BOE's November meeting. The committee is gathering information to develop a plan for installing climate control units in the remaining areas of the elementary building and in the middle school. Lines will be painted in all parking lots.

Salisbury Pathways Committee Update: Dr. Smirnova provided a brief history of the Pathways Committee and its work. She announced that the committee has been awarded a \$400,000 grant through the Connecticut Connectivity Program which will be used to complete a sidewalk from Lincoln City Road to the new fire house. The sidewalk will ensure the safe evacuation of the students in the event of an emergency at the school.

BOE Policy Review Process – Mr. Valcin requested that this agenda item be tabled until the next regular meeting on November 26th so that Mr. Moon can be present for the discussion.

CSDE Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs: Ms. Hayhurst made a motion to approve the new permanent agreement between the CT State Department of Education and the Salisbury Board of Education for the purposes of participation in the National School Breakfast and Lunch programs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bayersdorfer and passed unanimously.

Strategic Plan Follow-Up: Mrs. Magyar gave a summary of the plan and fielded questions. Dr. Smirnova made a motion to endorse the SCS Strategic Plan for School Improvement 2018-2020. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hayhurst and passed unanimously.

Administrative Reports: Principal Report – Mrs. Magyar highlighted several items from her written report.

Superintendent Report – Dr. Vogel gave a brief overview of her written report.

Assistant Superintendent Report – Ms. Carter summarized several key points in her written report.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: There was none.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion made by Ms. Rice.

Mrs. Susan C. Bucceri
Board Clerk

Mr. Barrett Prinz
Secretary