

*Unofficial*  
**LEARN BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**REGULAR/BUSINESS MEETING**  
**October 13, 2011**

Present: Joanne Barmasse, East Hampton; Rita Volkmann, Groton; Barbara Dudley, Guilford; Deborah Reed-Iler, Montville; Ronna Stuller, New London; Joyce Werden, Norwich; Robin Chasse, Region #17; Sheri Cote, Waterford; Dr. Virginia Seccombe, LEARN

Representatives not attending: Lianne Ruty, Chester; Tracey Gionta, East Haddam; Suzanne Helchowski, Essex; Gordon Strickland, Jr., Ledyard; Robert Ruggiero, Madison; Donna Dunn, Old Saybrook; Pauline Andruskiewicz, Preston; Mary-Beth Harrigan, Region #4; Pam Munro, Salem; Gail MacDonald, Stonington;

Not Attending and Not Represented: Clinton; Deep River; East Lyme; North Stonington; Region #18; Westbrook

Presenters, Staff and Other Guests: Paul Carolan; Bridgette Gordon-Hickey; Peter DeLisa; Linda Dadona; Jennifer Ingalls; Natasha Roy; Natalie Pukas; Dr. Albert Anderson; Lisa DeMaio.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am

**Public Comment:** None

**Reading or Review of Correspondence:** None

LEARN Teacher of the Year – Dr. Seccombe introduced Jennifer Ingalls from the Connecticut River Academy as the LEARN Teacher of the Year.

**Educational Perspective:** Paul Carolan, Director and Bridgette Gordon-Hickey, Associate Director of the Regional Multicultural Magnet School and Peter DeLisa, Director of Dual Language and Arts Academy presented on CMT Scores.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Motion by Dudley second by Chasse to approve the following Consent Agenda:**

- Approval of the Minutes for the Regular/Business Meeting of September 8, 2011
- Approval of the Budget for 2011-2012
- Approval of Grant applications-“Chelsea Groton Foundation” funded by Chelsea Groton Foundation; “Connecticut State Department of Education” funded by the Connecticut State Department of Education.

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**Information from the Executive Director**

The following Information from the Executive Director was included in the packet:

Hiring Update  
Executive Committee Minutes  
Marine Science Magnet High School Building Committee  
Legislative Update  
Distributions available at the meeting or in the Board packet included:

**Old Business:**

Investment Policy #3302 – **Motion by Chasse, second by Dudley to approved Investment Policy #3302. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**New Business:**

Negotiating Committee – The following Board Members volunteered to serve on the Negotiating Committee for the teachers’ contract: Rita Volkmann and Sheri Cote. Meetings will be from 4:00 to 6:00 pm on October 20, 26 and 31 and November 3.

**Superintendent’s Perspective:** Natalie Pukas, Superintendent of North Stonington Schools, presented to the Board on the Regional Professional Development Plan.

**Roundtable/Future Agenda Items:** None

**Adjournment:** Motion by Cote, second by Chasse to adjourn at 11.02 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.