

**Unofficial
LEARN BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR/BUSINESS MEETING
March 12, 2015**

Present: Charlene Fearon: Chester; Miriam Morrissey, Deep River; Tracey Gionta, East Haddam; Christopher Goff, East Hampton; Rita Volkmann, Groton; Barbara Dudley, Guilford; Carrie Baxter, Montville; Philip Broadhurst, Old Saybrook; Elaine Fitzgibbons, Region #4; Craig Esposito, Stonington; Sheri Cote, Waterford; Dr. Eileen Howley, LEARN

Representatives not attending: Tim Hagen, East Lyme; Carolyn Rotella, Essex; Stephanie Calhoun, Ledyard; Alison Keating, Madison; Christine Wagner, North Stonington; Al Daniels, Norwich; Cindy Luty, Preston; Kathy Brown, Region #17; Pam Munro, Salem

Not Attending and Not Represented: Clinton; New London; Region #18; Westbrook

Presenters, Staff and Other Guests: Mary Royce, Dr. Peter Cummings, Doreen Marvin, April Hodson, Michael Joyce

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am

Public Comment: None

Reading or Review of Correspondence: A thank you note from Mary Royce was shared.

Educational Perspective: Dr. Howley and Dr. Cummings presented an overview of changes to the Teacher Evaluation Plan and gave an update on the Security Plan.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Esposito, second by Gionta to approve the following Consent Agenda:

- Approval of the Minutes for the Regular/Business Meeting of February 12, 2015
- Approval of the Budget for 2014-2015
- Approvals of Grant applications-There were no grant applications this month.
- Authorization to Rent
- Rental Rates

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-There was no meeting this month.

Legislative Update

Distributions available at the meeting or in the Board packet included: A folder of LEARN information.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Establish Nominating Committee – The following Board members volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee: Craig Esposito, Christopher Goff, Rita Volkmann, and Sheri Cote.

Non-renewals – **Motion by Gionta, second by Esposito to move that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes 10-151, the LEARN Board of Directors non-renew the teaching contract of those named below at the end of the 2014-2015 school year as recommended by the Executive Director; and ratify, adopt and accept the Executive Director's determination that the contract be non-renewed.**

Further move that the Executive Director be directed to communicate this action of the Board in writing to those named below and that the Executive Director be authorized to respond on behalf of the Board of Directors to any requests for a hearing or for other data which may be forthcoming from those named below and/or his/her representative pursuant to applicable provisions of Connecticut General Statutes 10-151; and further move that the Executive Director be directed that any response to a request for a hearing, if a hearing is required by law, indicate that such hearing is to be before the Board of Directors.

The motion applies to the following individuals:

**Louis Allen
Nicole Blondin
Fie Budzinsky
Dante Gonzales
Rachel Hanrahan
Amber Manfrede
Michael Rege
Nicole Thibeault
Jocelyn Van Buren**

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Salary and Benefits for 2015-2016 –**Motion by Baxter, second by Goff to approve Salary and Benefits for 2015-2016 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Superintendent's Perspective: There was no Superintendent Perspective this month.

Roundtable/Future Agenda Items:

Adjournment: Motion by Esposito, second by Dudley to adjourn at 10:38 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.