

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17

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The Board of Education is pleased to provide you with the following District and Board News.

District & Board News

- At its November 18th meeting, the Board heard a presentation by Donna Hayward, Principal of HKHS, whereby a new process was outlined to display school awards, trophies, and plaques at the High School. A committee has been working on this task since August.
- At its December 16th meeting the Board moved to honor the retiring Haddam-Killingworth Middle School Principal Mim Wagner by naming the auditorium at that school "The Miriam Furey Wagner Auditorium" to show the high esteem in which she is held. The Board motion noted Mim's 20 years of dedicated service to Regional School District 17, the last 16 years as Principal of the HKMS. She played a critical role in the design and construction of the new Middle School while setting the highest standard of integrity and leadership and leading the Haddam-Killingworth Middle School to the highest student achievement levels in the state.
- In November representatives from CREC presented to the Facilities Subcommittee of the Board of Education on energy conservation considerations for Region 17. The Facilities Subcommittee is working closely with Mike Distefano, the Director of Facilities, to analyze current operations and consider future projects that will bring energy savings to the District.
- The Board of Education approved the 2015/2016 school calendar which is available on the RSD 17 website.
- The Board has also approved the Budget Timeline for the fiscal year 2015/2016. It is available on the RSD 17 website. Copies of the Superintendent's proposed budget will be available in early March at the Central office. The Board welcomes community input and ideas.
- The Personnel and Evaluation Subcommittee has been very busy this year negotiating separate contracts for the following: the Superintendent, the Administrators, the Nurses, the Custodians, the Support Staff, and the Teachers. The duration of these contracts runs from three to four years so this subcommittee will not have to negotiate six contracts every year.
- The Regional District 17 Board of Education wishes to extend to school employees, students, parents, and district residents the warmest regards for this December holiday season and for a happy and rewarding new year 2015.

