REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 BOARD OF EDUCATION – EDUCATION SESSION October 18, 2016

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on October 18, 2016 in the Haddam-Killingworth Middle School Media Center. Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo, called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Members Present: Kathy Brown, Maura Wallin, Eric Couture, Susan Dean, Joanne Nesti, Neal Perron, Suzanne Sack, Sue Twachtman, and Joel D'Angelo

Members Absent: Dan Chase, Jeannie Young

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Holly Hageman, and Board Clerk, Kati Mohr

Visitors: 10

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment

None

Board Liaison Reports

A. Curriculum Council Update

No report.

B. Curriculum Subcommittee

No report.

Old Business

A. High School Energy and Facilities Upgrade

Superintendent Thiery updated the Board in regards to the new flyer that was sent to all residents of the district. He also reminded the Board of the upcoming Public Hearing to be held on October 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

New Business

A. Continuous Improvement Plan - Presentation

Superintendent Thiery introduced the Continuous Improvement Plan. He presented the district mission and gave an overview of the continuous improvement goals and process.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Holly Hageman presented an overview of the Continuous Improvement Plans for the district along with an overview on Student Achievement Goals. Goals for student achievement include all students K-8 meeting grade level expectations in reading, writing and math. She also discussed professional development, and the development and refinement of curriculum.

Tracy Geary, Director of Pupil Services and Tonya Gorgone, Special Education Coordinator, presented the Pupil Services Continuous Improvement Plan. The Pupil Services presented several strategies and indicators of growth and development.

Principal Bryan Kerachsky, Principal Dennis Reed, and Principal Eric Larson presented the Continuous Improvement Plan for the elementary schools. Principal Eric Larson discussed how the Continuous Improvement Plans were developed and the collaborative efforts of the elementary schools. Principal Reed presented the goals, actions steps and progress monitoring for reading and writing. Principal Larson presented the goals, actions steps and progress monitoring for mathematics. Principal Kerachsky presented the goals, action steps and progress for monitoring for engineering and design.

Principal Dr. Jennifer Olsen presented the Continuous Improvement Plan for Haddam-Killingworth Middle School. She presented the goals, instruction methods, planning and collaboration strategies, and measures and monitoring points for the areas of literacy, writing, and math and discussed internal and external community goals.

Principal Donna Hayward presented the Continuous Improvement Plan for Haddam-Killingworth High School. She presented the goals, action steps, and progress monitoring points for the areas of literacy, math, and internal and external communication.

Note: Continuous Improvement Plans in their entirety are available on our website at www.rsd17.org

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Board Chair Joel D'Angelo called for the meeting to adjourn at 10:03 PM.