

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION -
MEETING BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES
March 14, 2023

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on March 14, 2023, via Google Meets Video Conference (Live Stream). Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Board Member Attendance:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Prem Aithal	X		Dr. Nelson Rivera	X	
Lisa Connelly	X		Corey Roberts	X	
Dr. Joel D'Angelo	X		Peter Sonski	X	
Jennifer Favalora	X		Dr. Kathleen Zandi		X
Shawna Goldfarb	X		Suzanne Sack	X	
Hamish MacPhail	X				

Also Present: Superintendent of Schools, Jeffrey Wihbey, Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Miller, Director of Fiscal Operations, David Solin, Board Administrator, Sarah Kaiser, Director of Operations, John Mercier, Principals Dennis Reed and Brienne Whidden, Director of Student Services, Dr. Kris Lindsay-Stevens, Curriculum Coordinators Heather Rigatti and Jennifer Beermuender, Student Services Coordinators Tonya Gorgone and Rebekah Templeton

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Suzanne Sack, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Discussion of Superintendent's Proposed Budget 2023-2024:

Board Chair Sack provided information on the March 21, 2023 Community Input meeting where the public has the opportunity to provide comments to the Board on the proposed budget.

The Board had discussions in length about the Elementary schools and Student Services budget drivers, staffing positions, curriculum programs such as Wit and Wisdom, LETRS and Science of Reading, class sizes, FTE's, Grant funding and allocation, ESS and DLP programs, Pre-K services,

professional development, and transportation and outsourced transports. The Board requested information regarding the past 2 years of purchase services by location, information on previous grants and details of items that have now been included in the Board budget. Dr. Lindsay-Stevens will provide the Board projection costs on adding an additional teacher position/classroom session for informational purposes.

The Community Input meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2023 at the HK High School Auditorium. The next Budget workshop meeting will directly follow in the HK High School Community Room.

Adjournment

Board Chair Sack adjourned the meeting at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Kaiser
Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Joel D'Angelo, Secretary