

Board of Education

09 November 2017 / 6:35 PM – 7:56 PM

NOTES

- ❖ **Unfinished Business** –
 - Missing from minutes – part of A. Anderson speaking about the maintenance and the grounds crew in general
- ❖ **Student Representatives Reports**
 - Timothy Chen – Junior Rep
 - Some pep rally changes, National Honor Society clothing drive, pie a teacher
- ❖ **BOE Chairperson/Designee:**
 - Rotary would like to buy a golf cart for MS/HS complex; will put together SOP for training on cart
 - Passes!
- ❖ **Unfinished business:**
 - J. Caldwell – follow up on BOF -> glossary and invite them to workshops.
 - Girls hockey – business donations for team? Would Ed. Foundation help for funds?
 - Maybe a change in funding for Boys teams to create equality in funding
 - Field maintenance is \$12-15K/year for turf fields.
- ❖ **New Business:**
 - J. Caldwell – contract for lights and sounds for the HS theater went from \$30-150/hour. Extremely high.
- ❖ **Reports of Standing Committees:**
 - **ACES**
 - Six retiring this year; convocation is election day.
 - **Curriculum, Instruction and Planning**
 - EL update, stock market club and girls on the run. They try not to schedule trips out of state on Fridays.
 - Orlando – will have fundraising, maybe assistance from Ed. Foundation?
 - 92 ELL students, with 23 different languages. 32 are at GA.
 - Need additional tutor hours/part-time tutor.
 - **Finance & Operations**
 - State budget – looking to figure it out -> reimbursement.
 - Budget workshops Thursdays in January (6:00 start)
 - J. Caldwell suggested public comment be allowed, and publish documents on line
 - **Middle School Building Committee**
 - Lower a sign (too high) to run outside of the contract.
 - Fields were completed 10/24, released to the district today. Needed to insure and bond, they were freshly seeded and didn't have bleachers.
 - **North Haven Education Foundation**
 - Need to increase corporate sponsors, hope to earn more than \$25K in 2017
 - **Policy**
 - Need to update homework policy. Purposeful vs time amount.
 - Field rental – A. Anderson would like to have this updated by January/February.
 - **PTA Council**
 - Did not have a meeting
- ❖ **Staff Communications**
 - **Superintendent's Report**
 - Resuming search for Admin for the MS. Internal interviews done, external candidates to start up on 11/16.
 - Will discuss Sunday all call at the next meeting.
 - Strength training – participation is around 30 per session.

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- All athletes who want have participated.
 - **Assistant Superintendent's Report**
 - No report.
 - **Director of Finance & Operations**
 - No report.

Public Comments:

1. L. Mansur – field trips are a financial hardship. Even for \$100, families will not ask.
2. M. Maturo – section 2300/A – professional responsibility to the student
 - -> Dr. Cronin will discuss in executive session.
3. L. Burton – Need clarity on procedures/operations.
 - First selectman commented that he told BOE to hold off on hiring the MS Admin.
 - Girls hockey – the club is being disbanded due to financial concerns.
 - A. Anderson thought it was a rumor.
 - Audit of MSBC Finances – why expended money when football is not part of the curriculum
 - Dr. Cronin – Per MSBC board, not BOE
4. M. Mansur – there is a security issue at the MS. Noticed that students walk in from outside the school during school hours.
 - Dr. Cronin very concerned, spoke to security to heighten awareness.
 - A. Anderson – students should wear their ID? Maybe on a lanyard?
5. T. Marek – NHEF – can identify adults/staff, but not every kid. Agrees with M. Mansur.

❖ **Future Agenda**

