

**CHAPLIN, HAMPTON, SCOTLAND AND  
REGIONAL DISTRICT ELEVEN  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Parish Hill Middle/High School Library**

**Tuesday, February 20, 2024 7:00 PM**

**MEETING MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** – Chair Stacy Foster called meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
  - a. Members Present: Chair Stacy Foster, Vice Chair Michael Smardon, Cassidy Martin, Susan Lovegreen, Camden Kammer, Ellen Gillon, Kathy Freed, and Therese Smith. Also present, Principal Brian Tedeschi, Interim Superintendent James Connelly, and Business Manager Jobina Miller.
  - b. Not Present: Joy Becker.
- 2. Communication with the Audience** – No one commented.
- 3. Written Communications to the Board** – None received.
- 4. Approval of December 19, 2023 Meeting Minutes**
  - a. Michael Smardon made a motion to approve the minutes / Cassidy Martin seconded, Kathy Freed abstained. *Motion passed.*
- 5. Approval of Financial Statements – December 2023**
  - a. Michael Smardon made motion to approve the Financial Statements / Cassidy Martin seconded. *Motion unanimously passed.*
- 6. Administrative Reports/Administrative Requests for Board Action**
  - a. **Principal** – Brian Tedeschi gave his report about past and upcoming events for students, gave an update about the sports teams, and discussed the most recent Professional Development Day.
  - b. **Interim Superintendent** – James Connelly gave his report which discussed a recognition for Kenneth Henrici, a School Choice presentation scheduled for Franklin and Bozrah Boards of Education, and a monthly personnel update.
- 7. Old Business/New Business.**
  - a. **Report by PHACT/PTSA**
    - i. Report was given by Kathy Freed.
  - b. **Budget Forecast FY 23-24 – Jobina Miller**

i. Jobina Miller updated Board.

**c. Discussion and possible action on the addition of James Connelly to RD#11 Bank Accounts**

i. After discussion, Michael Smardon made a motion to add James Connelly to the RD#11 Bank Accounts / Therese Smith seconded. *Motion unanimously passed.*

**d. Discuss the Town Hall meeting held by Reps Doug Dubitsky and Pat Boyd on January 10<sup>th</sup>**

i. The Board discussed their thoughts.

**e. Presentation of Preliminary FY 24-25 Budget**

i. Jobina Miller gave the presentation of the Preliminary FY 24-25 Budget to the Board.

**f. Presentation of Preliminary SY 24-25 Calendar**

i. Board discussed the Preliminary SY 24-25 Calendar with Principal Brian Tedeschi.

**8. Committee Reports/Requests for Board Action**

- a. **Fiscal & Plant** – Just met prior to this meeting and discussed the Financial Statements.
- b. **Educational and Board Policies** – Not met.
- c. **Central Office** – Met.
- d. **Technology/Website** – Not met.
- e. **Personnel and Supervision** – Not met; pending negotiations.
- f. **Newsletter** – Met and latest edition of newsletter was released.
- g. **CABE/EASTCONN** – Therese Smith gave an update on CABE.

**9. Second Audience for Citizens**

a. No one commented.

**10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

a. Budget and SY 24-25 Calendar.

**11. Executive Session**

- a. At 8:15 PM, Michael Smardon made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss Personnel and School Security; inviting James Connelly / Cassidy Martin seconded. *Motion unanimously passed.*
- b. Exited Executive Session at 8:51 PM.

## **12. Adjournment**

- a. Michael Smardon made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 PM / Ellen Gillon seconded. *Motion unanimously passed. Adjourned at 8:52 PM.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Haddad