A regular meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education was held on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the LCS gym.

Present were: Mr. Simone, Chairperson; Ms. Carr (7:04); Ms. Fabbri; Ms. Stone; Mr. Bongiorno; Mr. Clock; Mr. Falcetti; Mr. Pavlick; Mr. Shuhi.

Also present were: Superintendent Turner; Mr. Fiorillo; and members of the public.

MOTION made by Mr. Bongiorno and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: to add to the agenda as VII c. resignation.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION made by Mr. Bongiorno and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 18, 2017 as submitted.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Gayle Carr arrived at 7:04 p.m.

Payment of Invoices

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: approve the payment of FY 2017-18 invoices on Accounts Payable warrant # 2018-08 dated 11/2/2017 in the amount of $169,950.82 and on Food Service warrant dated 11/1/2017 in the amount of $8,208.79.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. Mr. Simone abstained.

Public Comment and Correspondence Communications

a. STPC – none.
   PTO – none.
b. LHS Student Council – none.
d. Litchfield Education Foundation – none.
e. Other public comment- none.
f. Correspondence-
Thank you note from Ben Vermilyea for the Boards generosity in sending him to Northern Music Festival.

Administrators’ Report - none.

Superintendent’s Report – none.

Old Business – none.

New Business

a. Budget Adjustment – Program 82

Mr. Fiorillo distributed handouts, “Budget Adjustment #1 – Exterior Maintenance, and Exterior Maintenance Update,” and asked the Board for direction in funding the programs as needed.

Board members discussed: Teachers College costs; PD costs; benchmark scores; Board of Finance input in expenditures as needed; don’t eliminate programs since the budget passed and the programs were approved; not properly vetted; student needs should be covered as approved by the budget; need to ask for the funding; need numbers to go to Board of Finance; on agenda for the 13th; need itemized list; roof issues; carpet issues; coverage for leaks; need permanent fix; letter sent to LEF; need history of programs covered by Selectmen; hot water tank needs; vendor issues; installed in 2006; no warranty now; get tank with longer shelf life; in capital for next year; can do some temporary things now; covers used; pumps in rooms; what to do with larger capital projects; possible funding out of operating budget; best course of action needed; surplus funds; possible contingency fund; and need to go to Board of Finance for funding and direction for future funding.

b. Unpaid Leave Request

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Pavlick: to approve the unpaid leave request from Wendy Beliveau as presented.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

c. Resignation

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: to approve the resignation of LHS Special Education teacher, Amy Woronick effective immediately.

MOTION carried. Ms. Carr; Ms. Fabbri; Mr. Bongiorno; Mr. Clock; Mr. Falcetti; Mr. Pavlick voted in the affirmative; Ms. Stone voted in the negative. Mr. Shuhi abstained.
Committee Reports - none.

Policy

First Readings:
  i. Policy # 6146 Graduation Requirements – Policy revised. Return for second reading at next regular BOE meeting.
  ii. Policy # 4218.14 Nondiscrimination (Employees) – Policy revised. Return for second reading at next regular BOE meeting.
  iii. Policy # 5145.4 Nondiscrimination (Students) – Policy created. Return for second reading at next regular BOE meeting.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: to move to Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss Superintendent Goals.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Executive Session

Present were: Mr. Simone; Ms. Carr; Ms. Fabbri; Ms. Stone; Mr. Bongiorno; Mr. Clock; Mr. Falcetti; Mr. Pavlick; Mr. Shuhi.

Also invited to attend was Superintendent Turner.

Return to public session at 8:18 p.m.

MOTION made by Mr. Pavlick and seconded by Ms. Carr: to approve the Superintendents Goals.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald R. Falcetti, Secretary
Joanne Bertrand, Recording Secretary