

# BARKHAMSTED BOARD OF EDUCATION

## SPECIAL MEETING –February 11, 2019

### MINUTES

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** J. Prelli-Hester, T. Brodnitzki, D. Beaudoin, R. Brainard, K. Mann, C. Shaw

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** D. Farr

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:** J. Agostine, Superintendent  
K. Plocki, Principal  
E. Sacharko, Curriculum Coordinator

**OTHERS PRESENT:** J. Kreske, Teacher  
M. Lavieri-Hislop, Teacher  
L. Hedenberg, Teacher  
S. Gabelmann, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chair, J. Prelli-Hester.

The first draft of the proposed Estimate of Operating Expenditures (budget) for the 2019-20 school year was presented by Superintendent J. Agostine, along with a power point presentation that provided additional comparative data and information. A discussion and question and answer session took place regarding the proposal.

**#2019-006** **MOTION** by D. Beaudoin, **seconded** by C. Shaw “to amend Motion #2019-004 from the 1/7/19 Minutes to include “for the current school year” at the end of the motion.” **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**#2019-007** **MOTION** by C. Shaw, **seconded** by J. Prelli-Hester “to approve the amended Minutes from the Jan. 7, 2019 BOE meeting”. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

J. Agostine acknowledged a thank-you note received from K. Plocki and shared it with BOE members.

J. Agostine reviewed the proposed calendar for the 2019-20 school year. It was noted that a conflict exists for the proposed October conference dates. The calendar will be revised and the Board will review it at the March BOE meeting.

K. Plocki reviewed her Principal’s report with the BOE which included the following updates: Chorus sang at the Wolf Pack Hockey game in January; Bear Tank Presentations in Grade 4; DARE program completed in January; Look for the Good & Kindness in Motion Program; Professional Development, which included: RULER, Science, and Safe School Training; Instructional Rounds; NAEP Participation; Student Council Leadership Conference; PTO fundraisers, which included: Scrap-a-thon, Night Under the Stars, and Casino Bus Trip; and introduction to presentation by Laura Hedenberg, Library-Media Specialist.

L. Hedenberg provided a brief presentation to the Board of some of the newer technologies and collaborative efforts that have been occurring in the library-media area in the past few years.

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E. Sacharko did a brief demo of the new Barkhamsted School website to show the Board what it will look like. It is not “live” yet as all of the features and data have not been added and/or activated. It is anticipated that it will be completed sometime this Spring.

J. Agostine reviewed Bills Paid and Budget Expended Reports for January 2019 with the BOE. An update on the progress of the Oil tank removal and replacement project was provided. He also spoke with the Board about doing a demographic study next year and about the next phase of the Security Training for staff that will take place this week.

**#2019-008**

**MOTION** by T. Brodnitzki, **seconded** by K. Mann, “to adjourn this special meeting of the BOE” at 8:03 P.M. **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Beaudoin,  
Secretary

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