

The Regional School District 13 Board of Education met in special session on Monday, March 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM in the library at Coginchaug Regional High School.

Board members present: Ms. Betty, Mrs. Caramanello, Mrs. Dahlheimer, Dr. Darcy, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Petrella, Mr. Roraback and Mrs. Roy.

Board members absent: Mr. Mennone and Mr. Stone

Administration present: Dr. Schuch, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Petrella called the special meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Dahlheimer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roraback, to approve the agenda, as presented.

In favor of approving the agenda, as presented: Ms. Betty, Mrs. Dahlheimer, Dr. Darcy, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Petrella, Mr. Roraback and Mrs. Roy. Motion carried.

Anticipated Executive Session

A. Discussion of attorney-client privileged memorandum regarding legal advice pertaining to FOIA, policies and procedures and legal considerations related to distribution of community flyers and/or district website

Mrs. Dahlheimer made a motion, seconded by Ms. Betty, to move into executive session for discussion of attorney-client privileged memorandum regarding legal advice pertaining to FOIA, policies and procedures and legal considerations related to distribution of community flyers and/or district website and to invite Attorney Peter Maher and Dr. Schuch.

In favor of moving into executive session for discussion of attorney-client privileged memorandum regarding legal advice pertaining to FOIA, policies and procedures and legal considerations related to distribution of community flyers and/or district website and inviting Attorney Peter Maher and Dr. Schuch: Ms. Betty, Mrs. Caramanello, Mrs. Dahlheimer, Dr. Darcy, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Petrella, Mr. Roraback and Mrs. Roy. Motion carried.

The Board of Education returned from executive session and moved to agenda item 4.

Discussion and possible action regarding policies and procedures related to distribution of community flyers and/or district website

Mr. Moore made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roraback, to direct the administration to require all community groups that currently have and request to have a community event flyer posted on the district's community flyers web page or social media pages include a disclaimer that such communication and the related event or activity is sponsored by that organization and is not endorsed or sponsored by the Regional District 13; and also to move further that the board refer the issue of community event flyers to the board's Policy Committee for review and consideration.

In favor of directing the administration to require all community groups that currently have and request to have a community event flyer posted on the district's community flyers web page or social media pages include a disclaimer that such communication and the related event or activity is sponsored by that organization and is not endorsed or sponsored by the Regional District 13; and that the board refer the issue of community event flyers to the board's Policy Committee for review and consideration: Mrs. Dahlheimer, Dr. Darcy, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Petrella, Mr. Roraback and Mrs. Roy. Motion carried.

Mrs. Petrella asked that the community flyer link on the district's website be directly linked to the community section that will have the disclaimer and then be linked to the flyer. She would like that done on ParentSquare as well.

Adjournment

Mrs. Dahlheimer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Darcy, to adjourn the special meeting of the Board of Education.

In favor of adjourning the special meeting of the Board of Education: Mrs. Dahlheimer, Dr. Darcy, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Petrella, Mr. Roraback and Mrs. Roy. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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