



# LYME - OLD LYME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## MEETING MINUTES

### **Community Leadership Meeting**

June 6, 2014

Present: Ian Neviasher, Superintendent of Schools; Bonnie Reemsnyder, Old Lyme First Selectwoman; Ralph Eno, Lyme First Selectman; Mary Jo Nosal, Old Lyme Selectwoman; Andy Russell, Old Lyme Board of Finance Chairman; James Witkins, Chairman of Board of Education

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. The following agenda items were discussed:

*Dogs.* Mr. Neviasher and Mr. Witkins informed the group of a concern over dogs on campus. There was a recent incident involving a dog bite at an athletic event. The Board of Ed is going to investigate a policy for dogs on campus. Discussion focused on the liability of not having anything but a 'no dogs' policy.

*Enrollment.* Mr. Neviasher noted that the kindergarten enrollment remains at 56 despite an aggressive enrollment campaign in recent months.

*Administrative Changes.* Mr. Neviasher reviewed the thought process and changes in administration for LOLMS and Center School for next year.

*HVAC.* Mr. Neviasher and Mr. Witkins informed the group of the ongoing struggle to commission the HVAC system at LOLHS. O&G has been notified of the concerns via a letter of non-compliance. They have until June 20 to resolve these issues.

*Property and Casualty Insurance.* Mr. Witkins and Mr. Neviasher discussed their concerns over significant increases in property and casualty insurance apparently due to new rates based on potential high wind damage. Mr. Neviasher is currently investigating ways to keep the same level of insurance yet save the Board of Education money in the process.

The group agreed not to hold a meeting in July as the Board of Ed meeting has been canceled.

Mr. Russell suggested the use of the cafeteria at Center School as a place where groups may hold fundraiser type dinners once the 5<sup>th</sup> grade moves to Mile Creek.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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