

Amherst School Committee
September 17, 2014
Cafeteria, Amherst Regional High School

In Attendance:

Katherine Appy, Chair
Lawrence O'Brien
Rick Hood
Kathleen Traphagen
Amilcar Shabazz

Maria Geryk, Superintendent
Debbie Westmoreland, Recorder

1. Welcome **7:25 p.m.**

A. Call to Order—Ms. Appy called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. and noted that the only agenda item is to vote on joining the Region VIII Education Service Center cooperative.

2. New Business **7:26 p.m.**

A. Interlocal Purchasing System Resolution

DOCUMENT: Memo to the Amherst School Committee from Sean Mangano, Finance Director, Regarding Membership in Region VIII Education Service Center dated September 12, 2014; About Region VIII Education Service Center Information Sheet

Mr. O'Brien moved that, pursuant to the authority outlined in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section A, that the Amherst Public Schools join the Region VIII Education Service Center, a collaborative, in order to access the fiscal benefits available through the collaborative purchasing program. Mr. Hood seconded. Ms. Geryk noted that the primary reason for joining the collaborative is to purchase the type of cameras needed for the district's buses at a savings of \$9,803 over the purchase amount approved by the School Committee. There is no cost to join this particular collaborative. There were no questions about the issue and the motion was unanimously approved.

3. Adjournment **7:28 p.m.**

Ms. Traphagen moved to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Mr. O'Brien seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Westmoreland