

**Please Note: These minutes are pending Board approval.
Board of Education
Newtown, CT**

Minutes of the Board of Education meeting on January 10, 2015 in the Board conference room in the Municipal Office Building, 3 Primrose Street.

K. Alexander, Chair
K. Hamilton, Secretary
D. Leidlein (7:10 p.m.)
J. Vouros
D. Freedman
M. Ku

J. Erardi
R. Bienkowski

Item 1 – Call to Order

Mr. Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION: Ms. Hamilton moved to enter into executive session to interview the following law firms with their representatives regarding their proposals for legal services:

Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C. (Floyd Dugas, Michelle Laubin and Christopher Hodson)
Pullman & Comley, LLC (William Connon, Esq. and Attorney Sue Scott)
Shipman & Goodwin, LLP (Richard A. Mills, Julie Fay, and Jessica Ritter)

Mr. Freedman seconded. Motion passes unanimously. (Mrs. Leidlein was absent for this motion.)

Item 2 – Executive Session to Interview Law Firms

Floyd Dugas, Michelle Laubin and Christopher Hodson entered executive session at 7:10 and left executive session at 7:30 p.m.

William Connon, Esq., and Attorney Sue Scott entered executive session at 7:35 and left executive session at 8:05 p.m.

Richard A. Mills, Julie Fay and Jessica Ritter entered executive session at 8:10 and left executive session at 8:40 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 9:05 p.m.

Item 3 – Return to Public Session for Action on Law Firm

MOTION: Mrs. Leidlein moved to direct the administration to negotiate with Shipman and Goodman for representation as general counsel for the Board of Education. Mr. Vouros seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Vouros moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Leidlein seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Item 4 – Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathryn Hamilton
Secretary