

**Suffield Board of Education
Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm
Central Office Conference Room**

Attendees: Board members: Maureen Sattan, Susan Mercik Davis, Michael Sepko, Debra Dudack, Jamie Drzyzga, James Mol and Matthew Service (via phone).

Absent: George Beiter and John Richter

I. Call to Order: Board Chair Mercik Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. Discussion/Action Item: Discussion regarding the hiring of a superintendent search firm and possible selection of a search firm.

Board members discussed two proposals they received from New England School Development Council and Hazard Young Attea Associates, which are both firms that conduct superintendent searches. Board members had previously met with a representative of New England School Development Council and discussed moving forward with that firm, which has significant experience conducting superintendent searches in this part of the state and also offered a comprehensive proposal at a cost significantly lower than the other firm.

MOTION #19-29: Sattan moved, Sepko seconded to appoint the New England School Development Council to conduct the search for a new superintendent for the Suffield Public Schools and to authorize the Board Chair to negotiate a contract with that firm. All members voted in favor except for James Mol, who abstained. The motion carried 6-0-1.

III. Adjournment

Sepko moved, Drzyzga seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. The motion carried 7 to 0.