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**CHAPLIN, HAMPTON, SCOTLAND AND REGIONAL DISTRICT ELEVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**
**CHAPLIN, CONNECTICUT 06235**
**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**
**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 05, 2019**
**6:30 PM**
**PARISH HILL MIDDLE/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

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**Chairperson Rose Bisson called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Present were board members Kate Donnelly, Sally Ireland, Dennis Labelle, Stacy Foster, Stephanie Harrington, Michael Smardon and Tracy Dunn. Administrators present were Superintendent Ken Henrici and Principal Tedeschi.**

2.  **Public Hearing on the Possibility of Hiring an Armed/Unarmed School Resource Officer (SRO) or an Armed/Unarmed Security Guard for Parish Hill Middle/High School for the 2019-2020 School Year. -** Maryellen Donnelly addressed the board concerning the research on armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed Security Guard. Monica Egan and Prentice Tracy read a letter that was signed by twenty-three Parish Hill Middle/High School Teachers against the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed Security Guard. Jennifer Nelson asked that Superintendent Henrici and Principal Tedeschi give their opinion on whether Parish Hill Middle/High School needs an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed Security Guard. Bill Adams spoke for the hiring of an Armed SRO for Parish Hill Middle/High School. Joan Fox spoke to the board on data concerning SRO and Security Officers in school systems. Rachel Girshick spoke against the hiring of an SRO or a Security Guard at Parish Hill Middle/High School. Kathy Donahue spoke to the board concerning the hiring of an SRO or Security Guard and the actual cost of one. Richard Weingart asked Principal Tedeschi whether students have been asked about the hiring of an SRO or Security Guard. Marilyn Higgins spoke against the hiring of an SRO or Security Guard at Parish Hill Middle/High School. Kim Martin spoke to the board concerning the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed Security Guard. Benjamin Card spoke to the board concerning the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard for Parish Hill Middle/High School. Haley Scanlon spoke to the board on her position of hiring an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard. Gracie Martin spoke to the board concerning the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard for Parish Hill Middle/High School. Doug Dubinsky spoke to the board about the multiple resources available to them concerning the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or armed/unarmed Security Guard in school systems. Kathy Donahue asked about possible funding for the position through a grant. Sandra Horning spoke to the board on the possibility of hiring an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard at the school. Dawn Kemp asked the board if this would be the only time the public would have the opportunity to provide input on this matter. Joshua Woodward asked that the board provide the public with the data that was provided at prior board meetings. Eric Kemp spoke to the board concerning the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard. Kathy Donahue asked the board how many times the police has been called to the school. Patty Gilligan asked the board how they ended up discussing the hiring of an armed/unarmed SRO or an armed/unarmed security guard. Chairperson Rose Bisson told the public that if they had any additional questions they could email Superintendent Ken Henrici at khenrici@parishhill.org or her at nossibr@aol.com.

3.  **Adjournment - Dennis Labelle moved to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Kate Donnelly seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted
Rachel Linkkila
Recording Secretary