

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL AT THE**

**August 20, 2015 MEETING  
REGIONAL SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
June 4, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Regional Supervision District Committee was held on Thursday, June 4, 2015 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Committee members present:

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION: Dave Fitzgibbons, Arthur Henick  
DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION: Michelle Grow, Miriam Morrissey  
ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION: Lon Seidman, Loretta McCluskey, DG Fitton  
REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION: Chris Riley, Lauri Wichtowski

Also in attendance: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent; Joanne Beekley, Assistant Superintendent; Garth Sawyer, Business Manager, and Kelley Frazier Substitute Clerk.

Audience of Citizens: none present

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Lon Seidman called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion duly made and seconded the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the consent agenda consisting of the Minutes from the regular meeting of April 16, 2015 and the Accounts Payable Report.

**OTHER ITEMS**

End of Year Transportation – F. Kulick

Mr. Kulick discussed Region 4's bus fleet. The equipment is very complex. We have GPS on all the buses. The bus speed limit on the highway is 50MPH. Mr. Fitton feels this is dangerous and will discuss with our legislative representatives to possibly increase the speed. Mr. Riley questioned Mr. Kulick regarding the recent incident involving our high school students traveling to Waterbury for a musical awards night. Mr. Kulick noted that the roads were slick. The driver reported a mechanical difficulty. A replacement bus arrived to transport students back to Valley Regional. After the driver left the Palace Theater, the driver felt unable to transport the students. Students waited in a commuter lot for a replacement driver to arrive. The driver is no longer driving for our bus company. Mr. Kulick noted that there was no forewarning that the driver would be unable to drive the bus. Mr. Riley said that we need to have a better understanding of what happened. He requested an incident report. Mr. Riley noted that it was disappointing that this was not mentioned during the end of year report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comment.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION**

Financial Status – Business Manager Garth Sawyer said that Supervision District is in good shape. Mr. Sawyer reviewed the highlights of the Supervision District financial status updates for the current year. There is currently a surplus projected.

Individual BOE reports

Chester – Report held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Deep River – Report held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Essex – Report held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Region 4 – Report held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Information and Communication

**Discussion and possible Vote to Renew the Agreement Concerning the Establishment and Operation of an Interim Collaborative Preschool Program dated February 13, 2008.**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Supervision District Committee unanimously **VOTED** to renew the Agreement Concerning the Establishment and Operation of an Interim Collaborative Preschool Program dated February 13, 2008 for renewal for a one year increment upon agreement (vote) of all signing parties (Boards of Education for Chester, Deep River, Essex and the Regional Supervision District Committee) no later than June 30, 2015.

**Vote on Superintendent's Recommendation to Appoint Shipman and Goodwin as legal counsel for Supervision District for 2015-16.**

On a motion duly made and seconded the Supervision District Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Shipman and Goodwin as legal counsel for the Boards of Education of Chester, Deep River, Essex, Region 4 and the Regional Supervision District Committee for 2015-16.

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Held until the Joint BOE meeting

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**Information and Communication**

Superintendent Levy's main district report was held until the Joint Board meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT –**

None present

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Next Regular Supervision District Meeting: August 20, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chris Riley, Secretary,  
Kelley Frazier Substitute Clerk