



Regional School District #4
Chester – Deep River – Essex – Region 4
Joint Board of Education Sub-Committee Meeting

Committee: Joint BOE Tuition Committee

Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 • 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Google Meet (Remote)

In Attendance:

Jane Cavanaugh (Reg 4)	Rick Daniels (Reg 4)	John Stack (Reg 4)
Stuart Johnson (Chester)	Miriam Morrissey (Deep River)	Lon Seidman (Essex)
Robert Grissom	Aimee Heins	

Items/Discussion:

- The meeting began at 11:00 a.m.
- The Joint Board of Education Tuition Committee met to determine the recommended 2023-2024 tuition fees for consideration and possible VOTE by the Joint Board of Education on June 1, 2023
- The committee reviewed:
 1. The most recent tuition fee schedule approved by the Joint BOE on June 2, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year
 2. A sample of tuition rates and fees for neighboring school systems, obtained through Mr. Grissom's CASBO network, representing fees and rates for the 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 school years, as available
 3. A comparison of the District's tuition fees over the same three year period
- There was lengthy discussion surrounding the intention of this Non-Resident Tuition Program; the goals of the district; our desire to attract families from outside the three towns as well as retain students who live within the three towns but may be contemplating private schools; pricing ourselves competitively in terms of both a family's ability to pay but also to recognize the high level of value and programming offered in our schools; and maintaining fairness to the taxpayers of the towns
- Based on that discussion, it was the Committee's recommendation to NOT CHANGE our overall tuition fees for the upcoming school year
 1. One update the Committee will be recommending for Joint BOE consideration is adding an International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme fee of \$3,500 per year
 2. The Committee will also further explore options to actively market our schools to families within the three towns and in neighboring areas to increase non-resident students
- There was no Public Comment
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.