



**Regional School District #4  
Chester – Deep River – Essex – Region 4**

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**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA**

Date: January 12, 2018

To: Members of the Regional School District No. 4 Board of Education  
Subject: **Board of Education meeting Tuesday, January 16, 2018 (please note Tuesday date)**  
Time: Board meetings begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Library, John Winthrop Middle School

Please contact Jennifer Bryan at Central Office email [jbryan@reg4.k12.ct.us](mailto:jbryan@reg4.k12.ct.us) if you are unable to attend.

Mission Statement

We, the communities of Chester, Deep River, Essex and Region 4, engage all students in a rigorous and collaborative educational program. We prepare our learners to be respectful citizens who are empowered to contribute in a globalized society.

**1. Call to order 7:00 p.m.** – Chair, Jennifer Clark

**2. Consent agenda**

The following items are to be handled as combined and by single vote. Any Board member may request that an item be pulled out for further discussion

- 2.1. Minutes from regular meeting of November 13, 2017 (*encl #1*)
- 2.2. Accounts Payable report (*encl #2*)

**3. Public comment** The public is reminded to state name for the record. Comments should be kept to a maximum of three minutes. Public comment is not intended to be a question and answer period; rather it is an opportunity for the Board to hear citizen comment related to educational matters

**4. Other Items**

- 4.1. Region 4 Student Representatives Report
  - a. Middle School Representatives (rotating)
  - b. Seniors: Max Klin and Sydney Suedmeier
- 4.2. Executive Session – personnel matter to address teacher settlement agreement
- 4.3. Presentation by JWMS Life Skills Class – *D. Monaco and students*
- 4.4. Principal Updates
  - a. John Winthrop Middle School – *Principal, William Duffy*
    - a.1 General Update
  - b. Valley Regional High School– *Principal, Mike Barile*
    - b.1 General Update
    - b.2 International Baccalaureate Presentation – *VRHS staff*
- 4.5 Possible VOTE to approve the continuation of the International Baccalaureate application process

**5. Reports**

- 5.1 Financial Status Report (*K. Allen*)
  - a. Financial Status Update (*encl #3*)
  - b. Cafeteria Account Update (*encl #4*)

5.2 Committee reports. (Chair)

- a. Joint PK-12 Committees – Policy – *L. Rankin*, Curriculum – *T. Dickson*, Finance – *TBD*

<b>Finance</b>	<b>Curriculum</b>	<b>Policy</b>
<del>Sept. 26, 2017</del>	<del>Sept. 18, 2017</del>	<del>Sept. 18, 2017</del>
<del>Nov. 28, 2017</del> Cancelled	<del>Nov. 27, 2017</del> Set on 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	<del>Nov. 27, 2017</del> Set on 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon
Jan 30, 2018	Jan. 22, 2018	Jan. 22, 2018 cancelled
Mar. 27, 2018	Mar. 19, 2018	Mar. 19, 2018
No May Mtg.	May 21, 2018	May 21, 2018
Sept. 25, 2018	Sept. 17, 2018	Sept. 17, 2018
Nov. 27, 2018	Nov. 12, 2018 Set on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Nov. 12, 2018 Set on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon

b. Other committee reports

- b.1 Supervision District Committee update – *J. Clark, J. Cavanaugh, M. Gioco*  
b.2 Ad Hoc – Joint BOE Cafeteria Committee – *R. Levy*

5.3 Assistant Superintendent’s report - *K. Martineau*

- a. General update

5.4 Superintendent’s report – *R. Levy*

- a. District update  
a.1 Critical Thinking and Creative Problem Solving – *standing item*
- b. Information and communication  
b.1 Discussion regarding any pending policies – *standing item*  
- #5132 Dress Code (*encl #5*)

**6. Public comment**

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**7. Future Agenda Items**

- 7.1 Next Joint BOE meeting is February 22, 2018  
7.2 Region 4 BOE Budget Workshops Jan. 24, Feb 07, Feb 21, 2018  
7.3 Next Region 4 BOE meeting is Mar. 01, 2018  
7.4 BOE and Community input for 2018-19 budget (on-going)  
7.5 Presentation of Major Budget Drivers for 2018-19 (TBD)  
7.6 BOE Self-evaluation (TBD)

**8. Adjournment**



**Regional School District 4**  
**Chester – Deep River – Essex – Region 4**  
**Boards of Education Committees – School Year 2017-18 (Updates in Progress)**

<b>Joint BOE Standing Committees</b> (standing committees have regularly scheduled meetings)			
<b>*Joint PK-12 Policy Sub-Committee</b>	R4(Rankin/Clymas/Grow) CH(Iselin/ Scherber) DR(T. Ciaglo/Massey) ES (Seidman/McCluskey)		
<b>*Joint PK-12 Curriculum Sub-Comm.</b>	R4(Cavanaugh/Brookhart/Sandmann) CH(Bibbiani/Fearon) DR(T.Dickson/Grunko) ES(Rotella/McCann/Conrad Alt.)		
<b>*Joint PK-12 Finance Sub-Committee</b>	R4 (Gioco/Clark/Daniels) CH (Stack/Englert) DR (Munawar/Ferretti) ES (TBD/Conrad)		
<b>Supervision District Committee</b> (2 yr terms end in Nov. of the year listed after each name)	R4 (Cavanaugh 19 / Gioco 19 / Clark 19) CH (Fearon 19 /Fitzgibbons 19 / Stack 19) DR (Weglarz 19 / Andrews 19 / Morrissey 19) ES (Fitton 19 /McCluskey 19 / Seidman 19)		
<b>Joint Ad Hoc Committees</b> (ad hoc committees meet for a designated period or as needed)			
Personnel & Negotiations		<u>Contract duration</u>	<u>Initiate negotiations</u>
- Joint BOE Teacher negotiations	R4 (Rankin) CH (Fitzgibbons) DR (Morrissey) ES (Fitton)	Expires 6/2019	6/2018
- Joint BOE Administrator negotiations	Same as ABOVE for Teacher negotiations	Expires 7/2017	9/2016
- Joint BOE Paraeducator negotiations	Same as BELOW for Net Tech et al.	Expires 7/2017	3/2016
- Joint BOE NetTechs et al negotiations (ElemSec/Elem Nurses/ElemNetTech/R4NetTech/ElemCustodians) - Cafeteria (all schools)	R4 (Rankin) CH (Fitzgibbons, Stack) DR (Massey) ES (Fitton)	Expires 6/2018	3/2018
		Expires 6/2017	3/2017
Public Relations & Community Outreach	R4(TBD/TBD) CH (Bibbiani) ES (Seidman) DR (Wegalarz/TBD)		
Technology	R4(Gioco) CH(TBD) ES (Seidman) DR (Munawar)		
Cafeteria	R4(Cavanaugh, Rankin) CH (Englert/Bibbiani) ES (Rotella) DR (Ciaglo/Dickson)		
School Calendar	R4 (Rankin/Brookhart) CH (Englert) ES (McCluskey) DR (Weglarz)		
Space Utilization	R4(TBD) CH(TBD) ES (TBD) DR (TBD)		
LEARN Joint BOE representative(s)	R4(Fitzgibbons), CH(Fearon), ES(Rotella), DR(Munawar)		
<b>Individual BOE Ad Hoc Committees</b> (ad hoc committees meet for a designated period or as needed)			
<b><u>Chester BOE</u></b>			
Facilities	TBD		
Internal Marketing	TBD		
PTO	TBD		
CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV)	For Discussion		
<b><u>Deep River BOE</u></b>			
Facilities	Morrissey/Ferretti		
PTO	rotating		
School Improvement Team	Weglarz/Ciaglo		
CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV)	TBD		
<b><u>Essex BOE</u></b>			
Building	Seidman		
PTO	Rotating		
School Improvement Team	TBD		
Essex Foundation	McCluskey / Fitton		
Communications	Rotating		
CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV)	Fitton		
<b><u>Region 4 BOE</u></b>			
Personnel & Negotiations		<u>Contract duration</u>	<u>Initiate negotiations</u>
▪ R4 Secretaries/Nurses	Rankin/Alt. TBD	Expires 6/2017	3/2017
▪ R4 Custodians	Rankin/Alt. TBD	Expires 6/2018	3/2018
R4 Audit & Finance	Rankin/Gioco		
School Improvement Team	TBD/TBD/TBD		
R4 Grounds Maintenance Oversight Committee	TBD/TBD		
R4 Building Committee	TBD/TBD		
R4 Educational Foundation	TBD		
Region 4 Extra compensation points committee	Clark (only 1 rep needed)		
Public Relations & Outreach	TBD		
R4 Safety	TBD		
R4 Advisory Council (PTO)	For Discussion		
R4 Facilities Study Committee	TBD		

## REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION

Welcome to tonight's meeting of the Regional 4 Board of Education. We appreciate your interest and attendance.

### WHO WE ARE:

We are fellow residents of Chester, Deep River and Essex, elected by the communities to serve 6-year terms without compensation. (one from each town, each biennial election)

<b>Trisha Brookhart (CH)</b>	2023	<b>Rick Daniels (DR)</b>	2023	<b>Kate Sandmann (ES)</b>	2023
<b>Mario Gioco (CH)</b> , Treasurer	2019	<b>Jane Cavanaugh(DR)</b> , Vice Chair	2019	<b>Leigh Rankin</b> Secretary <b>(ES)</b>	2019
<b>Lori Ann Clymas (CH)</b>	2021	<b>Michelle Grow(DR)</b> (appt until 2019 )	2021	<b>Jennifer Clark</b> , Chair <b>(ES)</b>	2021

Our contact information is listed on the District web site: [www.reg4.k12.ct.us](http://www.reg4.k12.ct.us) Our annual goals are also listed.

We are assisted in the meeting by our school administration:

**Ruth I. Levy, Ed.D.**, Superintendent of Schools

**Kristina Martineau**, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

**Kimberly Allen**, Business Manager

**Sarah Smalley**, Director of Pupil Services

**Michael Barile**, Principal, VRHS

**William Duffy**, Principal, JWMS

And our student representatives:

Senior Student Representative: **Max Klin**

Senior Student Representative: **Sydney Suedmeier**

Our board clerk is **Jennifer Bryan**

### HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE AND PARTICIPATE:

We typically have two "Audiences of Citizens" during the meeting. During this part of the meeting, you can make comments, suggestions and ask questions. We ask you to limit comments to 3 minutes. If you share a common topic with others, we encourage the use of a single spokesperson for the group. As the intention of the audience of citizens is for the Board to listen to you, the Board may not respond immediately since we may not have discussed or taken a position on the topic...please don't take this as a sign of disinterest. Our standard of courtesy and respect for the opinions of others is the same as the one expected of our students.

We encourage written input to the Board to include suggestions on future agenda items. Upon request, letters can be read at the meeting as long as they focus on issues or policies and not people.

While we value your input, please know the Board of Education meeting is a "Meeting in Public" and not a "Public Meeting." We appreciate your helping us accomplish our agenda in a time effective manner.

### REGULAR MEETINGS:

Our regular meetings are normally held on the first Thursday of every other month, September through June. In addition we participate in meetings of the Joint Board of Education Committee every other month along with the Boards of Education of Chester, Deep River and Essex. Regular Meeting Agendas and Special Meeting Agendas are posted in each of the Town Halls and on the school website ([www.reg4.k12.ct.us](http://www.reg4.k12.ct.us)).

### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board may occasionally meet in "Executive Session." This closed-door meeting is for discussing items of a sensitive nature, such as personnel issues or negotiation strategy.

### SPECIAL MEETINGS:

Special meetings may be called with a minimum of 24 hours advanced notice, to discuss specific items.

We appreciate your attendance this evening and invite your continued interest on behalf of the students and residents of Region 4.