

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL AT THE NEXT
REGIONAL SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE
June 1, 2017 6:30pm**

A regular meeting of the Regional Supervision District Committee was held on Thursday, June 1, 2017 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Committee members present:

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Charlene Fearon, Arthur Henick
DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Nelle Andrews, Miriam Morrissey
ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Loretta McCluskey, DG Fitton, Lon Seidman
REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Chris Riley, Jane Cavanaugh

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

Audience of Citizens: 1 Present

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair David Fitzgibbons called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m._

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion made by Arthur Henick motion and seconded Lon Seidman the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the consent agenda consisting of the Minutes from the regular meeting of April 6, 2017 and the Accounts Payable Report.

OTHER ITEMS

End of Year Transportation Report – F. Kulick

Mr. Kulick discussed the bus fleet. Things went well this year. There were no collisions or accidents. The state inspection went very well and we passed with a perfect score. Currently there are three mechanics. We started the year short of drivers but have ended the year with a full staff and two people in training. Dr. Levy thanked Mr. Kulick for a very good year of bus transportation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None present

REPORTS

Financial Status Current Status

Professional Development is higher than anticipated due to additional classes taken by teachers. The internet service cost which was previously covered by the state is also higher than anticipated. Currently we are anticipating a small surplus which will be returned to the towns after the audit.

Individual BOE reports

Chester – The budget was approved. The Board of Education, Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen came together with a shared understanding of what is important.

Deep River – The budget was approved. Ms. Andrews thanked Ms. Grow and the Board for their hard work on the budget. There are many end of the year activities in the next month. Dr. Andrea Ricci recently received the Connecticut Reading Association’s Outstanding Reading Educator Award. The media specialist will be retiring.

Essex – The budget was approved. The Memorial Day celebration was held inside. Over the summer the configuration of the front office will be changed for security enhancements. Funds will be used from the sinking fund.

Region 4 – The budget was approved. This has been a good year for Region 4. The block scheduling will be a good change for the students. There is an opportunity to have Chinese students this summer for two weeks and up to 4 students for the next school year. The innovative manufacturing program will be expanded and valuable for students. A Therapeutic Clinical program was approved for the high school. The NEASC accreditation was received.

Committee Reports

Finance - Next meeting in September.

Curriculum – Next meeting in September.

Policy – Next meeting in September.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Held until the Joint BOE meeting

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

District Update

Held until the Joint BOE Meeting.

Information and Communication

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

Discussion and possible VOTE to renew the *Agreement Concerning the Establishment and Operation of an Interim Collaborative Preschool Program dated February 13, 2008*. The Original contract expires June 30, 2012 per agreement may be renewed in 1 year increments upon agreement of all signing parties (Boards of Education for Chester, Deep River, Essex and the Regional Supervision District Committee) no later than June 30, 2017.

Upon a motion made by DG Fitton and seconded by Miriam Morrissey the Supervision District Committee unanimously **VOTED** to extend the site of the preschool for one year.

Vote on Superintendent's Recommendation to appoint Shipman and Goodwin as legal counsel for Supervision District for 2016-17.

Upon a motion made by DG Fitton and seconded by Lon Seidman the Supervision District Committee unanimously **VOTED** to appoint Shipman and Goodwin as legal counsel for Supervision District for 2017-2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None present

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

➤ Next regular Supervision District Committee meeting – October 5, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded, the Supervision District Committee unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley S. Frazier, Substitute Clerk