

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL AT THE NEXT
REGIONAL SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE
June 5, 2014

A regular meeting of the Regional Supervision District Committee was held on Thursday, June 5, 2014 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Committee members present:

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Wendy King, David Fitzgibbons
DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Christine Daniels, Miriam Morrissey
ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Lon Seidman, DG Fitton, Loretta McCluskey
REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Chris Riley, Elaine Fitzgibbons, Lauri Wichtowski

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

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Christine Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:34p.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 3, 2014, the Special Meeting of April 29, 2014 and the Accounts Payable report.

OTHER ITEMS

End of Year Transportation Semi-Annual Update – F. Kulick

Frank Kulick gave an update of transportation usage. All buses have GPS. There were no major breakdowns or accidents. Mr. Kulick is running as efficient as possible. Cameras are installed in the bus and history is stored on a hard drive. Cameras also are regularly checked for maintenance. We have had less bus interventions this year. Dr. Levy thanked Mr. Kulick for his help in getting students transferred to the Middle School when an emergency occurred in the fall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

REPORTS:

Financial Status Report

Financial Status Report – Mr. Garth Sawyer

This year was a challenging year for Supervision District. We are expecting a small surplus at the end of year. Mr. Fitton would like to know what the total unpaid balance for lunch programs in the schools.

Review and Possible VOTE re: Region 4 Audit and Finance Committee's Recommendation for appointment of auditing firm for Vote on Superintendent's Recommendation to Appoint Shipman and Goodwin as Legal Counsel for Supervision District 2013-14.

An RFP for auditors was issued and we had three responses. Two fees were comparable. We feel having that using our previous firm will bring continuity to the district.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Region 4 Audit and Finance Committee's recommendation to appoint Mahoney Sabol and Company as the Region 4 auditing firm for the 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-16 financial reports on a three year contract at a cost of \$9,500 per year.

Reports and Communication (BOE chair from Chester, Deep River, Essex & Region 4)

Finance Committee:

Held for Joint Board Meeting

Curriculum Committee:

Held for Joint Board Meeting

Policy:

Held for Joint Board Meeting

Assistant Superintendent's Report

Held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Superintendent's Report – R. Levy

District Update:

Held for Joint Board of Education meeting.

Information and Communication

Discussion and Possible Vote to amend the Agreement Concerning the Establishment and Operation of an Interim Collaborative Preschool Program.

On motion duly made and seconded the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Agreement Concerning the Establishment and Operation of an Interim Collaborative Preschool Program dated February 13, 2008. The original contract expires on June 30, 2012 and per agreement may be renewed in 1 year increments upon agreement of all

signing parties (Boards of Education for Chester, Deep River, Essex and 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 2013-14.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Shipman and Goodwin as legal counsel for Supervision District for 2014-2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8.1 Next Regular Supervision District Meeting August 21, 2014

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously **VOTED** to move into Executive Session at 6:52pm to discuss a Personnel matter. The motion passed. Dr. Levy remained at the meeting.

The Board moved out of Executive Session at 7:02pm.

On a motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 7:02pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Board Clerk