

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL AT THE
April 03, 2014 MEETING
REGIONAL SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

February 27, 2014

A regular meeting of the Regional Supervision District Committee was held on Thursday, February 27, 2014 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Committee members present:

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Wendy King, Dave Fitzgibbons, Arthur Henick
DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Christine Daniels, Jim Olson, Miriam Morrissey
ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Lon Seidman, Loretta McCluskey, DG Fitton
REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Chris Riley, Elaine Fitzgibbons, Laurie Wichtowski

Also in attendance: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent; Joanne Beekley, Assistant Superintendent, and Jennifer Bryan, Committee Clerk.

Audience of Citizens: 1

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Christine Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:35 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 December 5, 2013, and the Accounts Payable Report.

OTHER ITEMS

None needed

PUBLIC COMMENT -

None present

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

Financial Status – Business Manager Garth Sawyer was unable to attend this evening. Dr. Levy handed out Mr. Sawyer's financial report.

Individual BOE reports

Chester – Board Chair Wendy King reported that the Chester Board is still dealing with their Minimum Budget Requirement matter. They will be holding a special meeting on March 10th to discuss it.

Deep River – Board Chair Christine Daniels reported that the Deep River Board has been busy in their budget workshops. Based on community feedback received during budget workshops, the Board has decided to put out a survey for parents regarding interest in possibly bringing back some of the after school activities removed from previous budgets. The school has also been dealing with some maintenance issues.

Essex – Board Chair Lon Seidman reported that the Essex Board has been working on their budget and will be dealing with some higher special education costs. He also reported that the school will be converting to a natural gas boiler if the town gives approval at an upcoming special town meeting to release the monies from their sinking fund for building maintenance and repairs.

Region 4 – Board Chair Chris Riley reported had that their Board has been having very productive budget workshops and recently approved a budget for public hearing on April 7th.

Other reports were held until the Joint BOE meeting to be held immediately following this meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr Levy clarified some calendar issues, including having 3 more snow days currently available on the calendar before the need arises to look at other options.

Information and Communication

Superintendent Levy’s report was held until the Joint Board meeting.

The Committee moved into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent’s recommendation for staff non-renewals.

The Committee moved out of Executive Session at 6:57 p.m.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to approve the Superintendent’s recommendations regarding staff non-renewals as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT – none made.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Next Regular Supervision District Meeting: April 03, 2014
2. Review/approval of Supervision District Audit Report for 2012-13 (*TBD*)

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to adjourn at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Riley, Secretary,
Jennifer Bryan, Clerk