

***THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL AT THE  
April 05, 2012 MEETING  
REGIONAL SUPERVISION DISTRICT COMMITTEE***

**February 28, 2012.**

A regular meeting of the Regional Supervision District Committee was held on Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Committee members present:

CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Peg Reyer, Laurie Rubinow
DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Christine Daniels, Art Robbins, Kc Nelson-Oliveria
ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Lon Seidman, Loretta McCluskey, DG Fitton
REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION:	Linda Hall, Mary-Beth Harrigan

Also in attendance: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent; Ian Neviaser, Assistant Superintendent; Garth Sawyer, Business Manager, and Jennifer Bryan, Committee Clerk.

Audience of Citizens: 3 were present

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Lon Seidman called the meeting to order at 6:35 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 1, 2011; Minutes from the budget workshops of December 6<sup>th</sup>, January 10<sup>th</sup>, and January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012; Minutes from the public budget meeting of February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012; and the Accounts Payable Report.

**OTHER ITEMS**

There was discussion regarding the 2012-13 Supervision proposed budget. Mrs. Hall briefly reviewed the extensive process of public meetings and budget workshops over the past 4 months that was used to refine this proposed number.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to bring the proposed 2012-13 Supervision District budget in the amount of \$6,269,930 (Six million, two hundred sixty-nine thousand, nine hundred thirty dollars) to the Joint Board of Education for approval.

**PUBLIC COMMENT -**

Miranda Varley from Ivoryton spoke regarding her concern over safety for students on the buses. She said she has removed her own child from the bus due to fears for their safety. She also again voiced her displeasure over no longer being allowed to drive a bus in the district due to disciplinary action against her by First Student.

## **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION**

Financial Status – Business Manager Garth Sawyer reviewed the highlights of the Supervision District financial status updates. He is currently projecting a possible surplus of \$9000 if no unexpected costs come up.

### Individual BOE reports

Chester – Laurie Rubinow reported that the Chester BOE has held 2 budget workshops and have canceled the 3rd due to there not being a need for more discussion at this time.

Deep River – Board Chair Christine Daniels reported that their Principal, Jack Pietrick is retiring at the end of this year. They are currently working on their budget at workshops.

Essex – Board Chair Lon Seidman reported that the school's boiler needs to be replaced unexpectedly. He is unsure at this time what effect that will have on the current budget. Work continues on the 2012-13 budget with another budget workshop next week. He also reported on possible State funds that may help to pay for the legal work needed to develop the framework for a cooperative agreement in districts like ours.

Region 4 – Board Chair Linda Hall reported that they have worked hard on their budget and it will be going to public hearing on April 2nd.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **Information and Communication**

Dr. Levy held her update for the Joint BOE meeting later in the evening.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT** – no comments made

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to move into executive session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent's recommendation regarding staff non-renewals.

The Committee moved out of executive session at 6:53 p.m.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

On motion duly made and seconded the Committee unanimously VOTED to approve the Superintendent's recommendation regarding staff non-renewals.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Vote/approve recommendation for legal counsel for 2012/13 (June)

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously VOTED to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mary-Beth Harrigan, Secretary,  
Jennifer Bryan, Clerk