



**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 07, 2019

To: Members of the Regional School District No. 4 Board of Education  
Subject: **Board of Education meeting Tuesday, January 08, 2019 (Please note **TUESDAY** date for mtg.)**  
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, 2018 (*encl #1*)
- 2.2. Minutes from special Meeting of December 10, 2018 (*encl #2*)
- 2.3. Accounts Payable report (*encl #3*)

**3. Public comment**

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**4. Other Items**

4.1. Region 4 Student Representatives Report

- a. Middle School Representatives: (rotating)
- b. Seniors: Kate Farrell & Cooper McCormick

4.2. Principal Updates

- a. Valley Regional High School – *Principal, Mike Barile*
  - a.1 General Update – IB Video Presentation
  - a.2 Discussion and Possible VOTE to accept and approve donation agreement for \$12,995.00 from UTC Aerospace Systems to Regional School District No. 4 to provide funding for the purchase of Virtual Reality equipment and classroom content for STEM focused programs (*encl #4*)
  - a.3 Discussion and possible VOTE on donation of old computers to Old Lyme Historical Society
- b. John Winthrop Middle School – *Interim Principal, Charlie Macunas*
  - b.1 General Update
- c. Region 4 Facilities Update – *Region 4 Director of Facilities, Leigh Rankin*
  - No new items

## 5. Reports

### 5.1 Financial Status Report (*K. Allen*)

- a. Financial Status and Cafeteria Account Update (*encl #5*)
- b. Possible VOTE to approve request for transfer of funds (*encl #6*)
- c. Discussion and Possible VOTE to approve the 5 Year Capital Plan as recommended by the Region 4 Grounds and Buildings Maintenance and Oversight Committee to move forward to Budget Workshops.

### 5.2 Committee reports. (Chair)

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

<b>Finance</b>	<b>Curriculum</b>	<b>Policy</b>
Sept. 25, 2018 Oct. 16 <sup>th</sup> -added as well	Sept. 17, 2018	Sept. 17, 2018 Re-set to Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup>
Nov. 27, 2018	Nov. 12, 2018 Set on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Nov. 12, 2018 Re-set to Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup>
Jan 29, 2019	Jan. 29, 2019 Set on 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues.	Jan. 28 2019 Set on 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon.
Feb. TBD 2019		
Mar. 19, 2019 Set on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues.	Mar. 26, 2019	Mar. 18, 2019
Apr. TBD, 2019		
May 28, 2019	May 14, 2019 Set on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues.	May 20, 2019
Sept. 24, 2019	Sept. 17, 2019	Sept. 16, 2019
Nov. 19, 2019 Set on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues.	Nov. 19, 2019	Nov. 18, 2019

#### b. Other committee reports

- b.1 Supervision District Committee update – *J. Clark, J. Cavanaugh, M. Gioco*
- b.2 Joint BOE Ad Hoc School Security Advisory Committee – *DG Fitton*

### 5.3 Superintendent's report – *R. Levy*

- a. District update
  - a.1 Critical and Creative Problem Solving – *standing item*
- b. Information and communication
  - b.1 Discussion regarding any pending policies – *standing item*

b.1.a. - First Reading of Joint BOE Policy Committee's recommended revisions to the following policies:

- # 5141.4 Students – Reporting Suspected Abuse (*encl #7*)
- # 5131.81 Students - Use of Private Technology (*encl #8*)
- # 3323 Business – Soliciting Prices (*encl #9*)

### 5.4 Assistant Superintendent's report - *K. Martineau*

- a. General update

## 6. Public comment

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## 7. Future Agenda Items

- 7.1 Next Joint BOE meeting is Thursday, February 21, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.
- 7.2 Next Region 4 BOE regular BOE meeting is Thursday, March 07, 2019
- 7.3 Region 4 BOE Budget Workshops: Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Feb. 05, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. in CO
- 7.4 Vote on Non-renewals (Mar.)
- 7.5 BOE and Community input for 2019-20 budget (on-going)

## 8. Adjournment



**Regional School District 4**  
**Chester – Deep River – Essex – Region 4**  
**Boards of Education Committees – School Year 2018-19 (Updates in Progress)**

<b>Joint BOE Standing Committees</b> (standing committees have regularly scheduled meetings)	
<b>*Joint PK-12 Policy Sub-Committee</b>	R4(Sandmann/Clymas/Grow) CH(Iselin/Scherber) DR (Resnisky/Massey) ES (Seidman/McCluskey)
<b>*Joint PK-12 Curriculum Sub-Comm.</b>	R4(Cavanaugh/Brookhart) CH(Bibbiani/Fearon) DR(T.Dickson/Grunko) ES(Rotella/McCann)
<b>*Joint PK-12 Finance Sub-Committee</b>	R4 (Gioco/Clark/Daniels) CH (Stack/Englert) DR (Munawar/Ferretti) ES (TBD/Watson)
<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 / Ciaglo 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 (Daniels/Brookhart Alt.) CH (Stack/Englert Alt.) DR (Morrissey/Weglarz Alt.) ES (Fitton/Watson)	Expires 7/2019	6/2018
- Joint BOE Administrator negotiations	Same as ABOVE for Teacher negotiations	Expires 7/2020	9/2019
- Joint BOE Paraeducator negotiations	Same as BELOW for Net Tech et al.	Expires 7/2020	3/2019
- Joint BOE NetTechs et al negotiations (ElemSec/Elem Nurses/ElemNetTech/R4NetTEch/ElemCustodians)	R4 (Daniels/Brookhart Alt.) CH (Fitzgibbons, Stack) DR (Massey/Ferretti Alt.) ES (Fitton/Watson)	Expires 7/2021	3/2021
- Cafeteria (all schools)		Expires 7/2020	3/2020
Public Relations & Community Outreach	R4(TBD/TBD), CH (Bibbiani), ES (Seidman), DR (Wegalarz/TBD)		
Technology	R4(Gioco), CH(Englert), ES (Seidman), DR (Munawar)		
School Calendar	R4(Brookhart/Daniels), CH (Englert), ES (McCluskey), DR (Weglarz)		
LEARN Joint BOE representative(s)	R4(Cavanaugh), CH(Myers), ES(Rotella), DR(Munawar)		
School Security Advisory Committee	R4(TBD), CH(Greenberg-Ellis), DR(Weglarz), ES(Fitton)		
Tuition Committee	R4(Grow), CH (Stack), DR (Morrissey), ES (McCluskey/Seidman Alt.)		

<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	Englert		
Internal Marketing	TBD		
PTO	Greenberg-Ellis		
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	Daniels/Brookhart Alt.	Expires 7/2020	3/2020
▪ R4 Custodians	Daniels/Brookhart Alt.	Expires 7/2021	3/2021
R4 Audit & Finance	Gioco/TBD		
School Improvement Team	TBD/TBD/TBD		
R4 Grounds and Buildings Maintenance and Oversight Committee	Fitton/Gioco/Grow/Clark		
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> ,Secretary	2023	<b>Kate Sandmann (ES)</b>	2023
<b>Mario Gioco (CH)</b> , Treasurer	2019	<b>Jane Cavanaugh(DR)</b> ,Vice Chair	2019	<b>DG Fitton (ES)</b>	2019
<b>Lori Ann Clymas (CH)</b>	2021	<b>Michelle Grow(DR)</b> (appt until 2019 )	2021	<b>Jennifer Clark,Chair (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, Ed.D.**, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

**Kimberly Allen**, Business Manager

**Sarah Smalley**,Director of Pupil Services

**Michael Barile**, Principal, VRHS

**Charles Macunas**, Interim Principal, JWMS

And our student representatives:

Junior Student Representative: **TBD**

Junior Student Representative: **TBD**

Senior Student Representative: **Kate Farrell**

Senior Student Representative: **Cooper McCormick**

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.