

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL AT THE NEXT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
DEEP RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 17, 2019 5:30pm**

The special meeting of the Deep River Board of Education was held on Thursday, January 17, 2019. In attendance were Miriam Morrissey, Paula Weglarz, Imran Munawar, Matt Resnisky, Lenore Grunko and Tracy Dickson. Also in attendance were Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent, Dr. Kristina Martineau, Assistant Superintendent, Christian Strickland, Principal and Kim Allen, Business Manager and Kelley Frazier, Clerk. Absent: Tadhra Ciaglo, Rob Ferretti, Mary Elizabeth Massey

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Weglarz at 5:30p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion duly made by Tracy Dickson and seconded by Miriam Morrissey the Deep River Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of November 27, 2019 and the Accounts Payable report as written.

STUDENT REPORT

Mr. Strickland introduced Eddie Johnson and Holly Board who gave the student update of events happening at Deep River Elementary School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Park and Recreation play is the first weekend of February.

OTHER ITEMS:

Principal's Update

General Update

Mr. Strickland gave a brief update of the events happening this winter at Deep River Elementary School. Jill Shakun, DRES Math Coach, presented math instruction at Deep River Elementary. Mr. Strickland discussed Smarter Balance Assessment.

Possible VOTE to Accept Donation of \$1000 from the Gray Family Foundation to be Used at the Principal's Discretion

Upon a motion made by Tracy Dickson and seconded by Matt Resnisky the Deep River Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to accept the donation of \$1,000 from the Gray Family Foundation to be used at the Principal's discretion.

REPORTS:

Financial Status Report – Ms. Allen

Ms. Allen gave a brief update on the financial status for Deep River Elementary School. Trends indicate a small deficit at the end of the year. The MBR issue is still not resolved so this deficit may be covered by this. Ms. Allen will remain vigilant of any unforeseen circumstances and we will keep the Board informed of any developments as they arise.

Cafeteria Report – Ms. Allen

Ms. Allen gave an update on the status of the cafeteria budget. Revenue has not been received through December.

Committee Reports

Finance - Next meeting is January 29, 2019. Policy updates are being discussed.

Curriculum – Next meeting is January 29, 2019. I/B resources will be discussed.

Policy – Next meeting is January 28, 2019.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervision District Committee Update

There have been several budget workshops. This budget will go to Public Hearing on February 4, 2019. Efficiencies will be realized if Network Techs are moved into Supervision District. It would also allow having multiple techs tackle big issues. Art, Music and FLES are in Supervision District currently. It is suggested that PE also be moved into Supervision District. Health insurance has increased. This is being reviewed.

DRES Facilities Committee Update

A new valve has been installed in the library. The water balance is being tested. The roof is being discussed and will be replaced in sections. Currently, there are no major leaks.

LEARN

Mr. Munawar discussed the services LEARN offers. They are in their new facility in New London.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Joint Ad Hoc School Security Advisory Committee

All five schools have been prioritized as to their security needs. Additional training will be done.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

General Update

Ms. Martineau gave a brief update. Professional Development will occur tomorrow K-12. The language of assessment is being reviewed. K-12 standards for all content areas is also being reviewed and adjusted as to student needs. Progress Reports and Report Cards will better communicate student progress.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

District Update

Critical and Creative Problem Solving

Dr. Levy toured the new facility which LEARN is in. Dr. Levy thanked Mr. Munawar for his work on getting a grant for STEM equipment which will be used in the High School. Legislatively work is being done to make Supervision District an LEA. MBR is also being discussed. Insurance is being reviewed. Work is being done on budgets.

Information and Communication

Discussion Regarding any Pending Policies

First Reading of Joint BOE Policy Committee's Recommended Revisions to the Following Policies

Policies were discussed.

#5141.4 Students – Reporting Suspected Abuse

#5131.81 Students – Use of Private Technology

#3323 Business – Soliciting Prices

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Next Joint BOE meeting February 21, 2019
- Next Deep River BOE Meeting is March 21, 2019 @ 7:00pm
- Deep River BOE Workshops Jan 30th, Feb 19th, Feb 28th @ 6:00pm at Central Office
- BOE and Community Input for 2019-20 (On-Going)
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EXECUTIVE SESSION – BOE Self Evaluation

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Deep River Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to go into Executive Session at 6:43pm. Dr. Levy was invited to stay. Dr. Levy departed meeting at 6:47pm.

Executive Session ended at 7:00pm. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 7:01p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Secretary