

# Regional School District \#4 Chester - Deep River - Essex - Region 4 JOINT BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE 

To:
Subject:
Time:
Place:

Members of the Chester, Deep River, Essex, and Region 4 Boards of Education
April 04, 2019 Joint Board Committee Meeting
Joint Board Committee Meetings begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.
John Winthrop Middle School Library
Please contact Jennifer Bryan at Central Office 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.

## AGENDA

## 1. Call to order. 7:00 p.m.

1.1 The Appointed Chair of the Supervision District Committee acts as the Chair of the Joint Board of Education Committee meeting and calls the meeting to order. (The Vice-Chair of the Supervision District is the alternate in the absence of the Supervision District Chair).

* Chair of Supervision District rotates each Dec. - Essex BOE Chair is now the Supv. Dist. Chair
1.2 The Chester, Deep River, Essex, and Region 4 Board of Education Chairs call their respective Boards to order and report a quorum (\# of BOE members needed for a quorum)

Chester (5 members), Deep River (5 members), Essex (4 members), Region 4 (5 members)
1.3 Regarding Action Items: the Chair of the Joint Board of Education meeting follows parliamentary procedure on items requiring a vote of the Joint Board of Education. All discussion shall be held with the Joint Board. The Chair of the Joint Board shall call for and record a vote by the respective Boards of Education in alphabetical order. Items are approved only with an affirmative majority vote of each respective Board of Education
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 of Regular Joint Board Meeting of February 21, 2019 (encl \#1)

## 3. Public comment

The public is reminded to state name and town for the record. Comments should be kept to a maximum of three minutes. Public comment is not intended to be a question and answer period; rather it is an opportunity for the Boards to hear citizen comment related to educational matters.

## 4. Other Items:

### 4.1 Executive Session -- Negotiations <br> Review of key provisions in teachers contract - K. Roy

### 4.2 Action Items:

a. Possible VOTE to ratify the Agreement between the Chester, Deep River, Essex, Region 4 Boards of Education, Region \#4 Supervision Committee and the Regional 4 Education Association for July 01, 2019 - June 30, 2022
b. Discussion and Possible VOTE to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to renew certification that all food items sold to students at any time other than those covered by exemption, will meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards to qualify for CSDE's Healthy Food Certification and monetary compensation from the State (encl \#2)
4.3 Information:
a. Introduction of Executive Search Consultant and brief presentation - L. Seidman, J. Erardi

## 5. Reports

5.1 Superintendent's report
a. High Level Financial Status Updates for all Boards - K. Allen (encl \#3)
5.2 Committee reports.
a. Joint PK-12 Committees - (Comm. Chair) Policy - TBD, Curriculum - T. Dickson, Finance - TBD

| Finance | Policy | Curriculum |
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| Sept. 25, 2018 Oct. $16^{\text {th }}$-added as well | Sept. 17, 2018 <br> Re set to Oct. $15^{\text {II }}$ | Sept. 17, 2018 |
| Nov. 27, 2018 | Nov. 12, 2018 <br> Re-set to Nov. $27^{\text {\#1 }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nov. 12, } 2018 \\ \text { Set on } 2^{\text {mid }} \text { Mon } \end{gathered}$ |
| Jan 29, 2019 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } 28 \mathbf{2 0 1 9} \\ & \text { Set on } 4^{\text {th }} \text { Mon. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } 29, \mathbf{2 0 1 9} \\ & \text { Set on } 4^{\text {il }} \text { Tues. } \end{aligned}$ |
| Feb. TBD 2019 |  |  |
| Mar. 19, 2019 <br> Re-set to Mar. $25^{\mathrm{m}}$ | Mar. 18, 2019 cancelled | Mar. 26, 2019 <br> eancelled |
| May 01, 2019 |  |  |
| May 28, 2019 | May 20, 2019 | $\text { May 14, } 2019$ $\text { Set on } 2^{\text {nd }} \text { Tues. }$ |
| Sept. 24, 2019 | Sept. 16, 2019 | Sept. 17, 2019 |
| Nov. 19, 2019 <br> Set on $3^{\text {rd }}$ Tues. | Nov. 18, 2019 | Nov. 19, 2019 |

b. Policy committee report ( 8 members). (TBD)
b. 1 Second Reading and possible VOTE on the Joint BOE Policy Committee's recommendation to approve the recommended revisions to the following policies:
\#3260 Business - Sales and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies (encl \#4)
\#5118 Students - Non Resident Attendance AND related policy \#3240 Tuition Fees (encl \#5)
\#3324 Business - Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders) (encl \#6)
c. Finance committee report (8 members) (TBD)
d. Curriculum committee ( 9 members) (T. Dickson)
e. Ad hoc committees (as needed).

School Security Advisory Committee (D.G. Fitton)
5.3 Assistant Superintendent's report. - K. Martineau
a. Update on Professional Development
b. Update on Curriculum

## 6. Public comment

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7. Future agenda items
7.1 Next Regular Joint BOE Meeting, June 06, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

## 8. Adjournment*(Chester, \& Essex Boards)

*The Deep River and the Region 4 Boards of Education will stay in session as described on the next page:

The Deep River Board of Education will stay in session to conduct the following business:

1. Possible VOTE to approve the Minutes of the Deep River Special Meeting of February 25, 2019
(Deep River ONLY Encl \#1)
2. Adjournment

The Region 4 Board of Education will stay in session per their calendar of BOE meetings for the following business:

1. Budget Discussion if Needed (Only if no vote was taken at the April 1, 2019 Special Meeting following the Public Hearing)

Discussion and possible VOTE to move recommended Region 4 Budget for 2019-20 in the amount of \$ $\qquad$ to the Annual Meeting on May 6, 2019
2. Adjournment

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

Joint BOE Standing Committees (standing committees have regularly scheduled meetings)

| *Joint PK-12 Policy Sub-Committee | R4(Sandmann/Clymas/Grow) CH(Iselin/Scherber) DR(Resnisky/Massey) ES (Seidman/McCluskey) |
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| *Joint PK-12 Curriculum Sub-Comm. | R4(Cavanaugh/Brookhart) CH(Bibbiani/Fearon) DR(T.Dickson/Grunko) ES(Rotella/McCann) |
| *Joint PK-12 Finance Sub-Committee | R4 (Gioco/Clark/Daniels) CH (Stack/Englert) DR (Munawar/Berardis) ES (Fitton/Watson) |
| Supervision District Committee (2 yr <br> 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) <br> DR (Weglarz 19 / Ferretti 19 / Morrissey 19) ES (Fitton 19 /McCluskey 19 / Seidman 19) |

Joint Ad Hoc Committees (ad hoc committees meet for a designated period or as needed)

| Personnel \& Negotiations | Contract duration | Initiate negotiations |
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| - Joint BOE Teacher negotiations | R4 (Daniels/Brookhart Alt.) CH (Stack/Englert Alt.) Expires 7/2019 <br> DR (Morrissey/Weglarz Alt.) ES (Fitton/Watson)  | 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. $\quad$ Expires 7/2020 | 3/2019 |
| - Joint BOE NetTechs et al negotiations (ElemSec/Elem Nurses/ElemNetTech/R4NetTEch/ElemCustodians) <br> - Cafeteria (all schools) | R4 (Daniels/Brookhart Alt.) CH (Fitzgibbons, Stack) Expires 7/2021 <br> DR (Massey/Ferretti Alt.) ES (Fitton/Watson) Expires 7/2020 | $3 / 2021$ $3 / 2020$ |
| 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.) |  |
| Transportation RFP Bid Review | R4(TBD), CH (Englert), DR (TBD), ES (Seidman/Fitton) |  |
| Legal RFP Bid Review | R4(TBD), CH (Bibbiani), DR (TBD), ES (Seidman/Fitton) |  |

## Individual BOE Ad Hoc Committees (ad hoc committees meet for a designated period or as needed)

| Chester BOE |  |  |
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| Facilities | Englert |  |
| Internal Marketing | TBD |  |
| PTO | Greenberg-Ellis |  |
| CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV) | For Discussion |  |
| Deep River BOE |  |  |
| Facilities (Grounds and Buildings) | Morrissey/Ferretti |  |
| PTO | rotating |  |
| School Improvement Team | Weglarz/Ciaglo |  |
| CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV) | TBD |  |
| Essex BOE |  |  |
| Building | Seidman |  |
| PTO | Rotating |  |
| School Improvement Team | TBD |  |
| Essex Foundation | McCluskey / Fitton |  |
| Communications | Rotating |  |
| CATV Advisory Council (Cable TV) | Fitton |  |
| Region 4 BOE |  |  |
| Personnel \& Negotiations | Contract duration | Initiate negotiations |
| - R4 Secretaries/Nurses | Daniels/Brookhart Alt. $\quad$ Expires 7/2020 | 3/2020 |
| - R4 Custodians | Daniels/Brookhart Alt. $\quad$ 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 |  |

February 21, 2019

A regular meeting of the Joint Board of Education Committee was held on Thursday, February 21, 2019 in the John Winthrop Middle School Library, with the following Board Members present:

| CHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION: | David Fitzgibbons, Robert Bibbiani, Charlene <br> Fearon, Becky Iselin, Tom Englert, John Stack, <br> Maria Scherber |
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| DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION: | Paula Weglarz, Miriam Morrissey, Tracy <br> Dickson, Imran Munawar, Robert Ferretti, Mary <br> Massey, Matt Resnisky |
| ESSEX BOARD OF EDUCATION: | Lon Seidman, Mark Watson, DG Fitton, Loretta <br> McCluskey (had to leave at approx.. 8:00 p.m. but continued <br> participating via phone until adjournment) |
| REGION 4 BOARD OF EDUCATION: | Jennifer Clark, Mario Gioco (7:05 arrival), Rick <br> Daniels, Kate Sandmann, Jane Cavanaugh, DG |
| Fitton, Trisha Brookhart |  |

Also in attendance: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent; Dr. Kristina Martineau, Assistant Superintendent; Kim Allen, Business Manager \& Jennifer Bryan, Board Clerk.

Audience of Citizens: approx. 10 present

## CALL TO ORDER

Supervision District Committee Chair Lon Seidman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
The Chairs of the Chester, Deep River, Essex Boards and Region 4 Board of Education called their respective Boards to order at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Levy read a letter announcing her retirement effective June 30, 2019. Chair Seidman thanked her for her service and said the progress in creating a comprehensive, cohesive K-12 program has been measurable under her leadership. He told the Boards that the Supervision District Committee will be holding a special meeting Monday, February 25 th to begin determining the search process for a new superintendent.

## CONSENT AGENDA

On motion duly made and seconded, the Chester, Deep River, Essex, and Region 4 Boards of Education unanimously VOTED to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the December 03, 2018 regular meeting of the Joint Board.

OTHER ITEMS - Director of Pupil Services Sarah Smalley and Supervisor of Pupil Services Jennifer Nucci gave a presentation on the Special Education Programs across our districts. Ms. Smalley gave an update on current programs, their expansion and enhancement, and the cost and student benefits realized due to the innovative work and programs provided within our districts. There was a brief question and answer period following the presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Deep River Second Selectman Duane Gates spoke about what a loss the district will be experiencing upon Dr. Levy's retirement, as she always has the best interest of students and the community in mind. He also highly recommended that the Boards consider looking within the district, as they already have a very capable leader working for them who has worked for the district in different capacities over the last ten years, and would make an excellent superintendent in July.

## REPORTS

## Financial Status Update

Ms. Allen gave a brief, high level financial update for each district. More detail will be given at the individual board meetings in January.

Chair Seidman presented the 2019-20 Supervision District budget approved by the Committee earlier in the evening and previously presented at the February 4th Public Hearing.

There were discussions regarding the recommended cuts and increases. Including a lengthy discussion regarding the fact that although some positions were reduced solely based on a reduction in the number of sections which need to be taught (due to declining enrollment), each individual Board may determine whether or not they wish to add in more hours than are warranted by the section numbers, through their individual school budgets. It was noted that this is something Chester has already chosen to do in the past.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Chester (5 Yes / 1 No - Englert / 1 abstain - Scherber = Motion PASSED), Essex (4 Yes / 0 No / 0 abstain = Motion PASSED - the Essex Board took their votes as a block at the end of the meeting with L. McCluskey participating via phone after being unable to stay for the entire meeting), and Region 4 ( 4 Yes / 2 No - Daniels, Gioco $/ 0$ abstain = Motion PASSED) Boards VOTED to approve the 2019-20 Supervision District budget as presented at the February 4th Public Hearing and this evening's meeting.

The Deep River Board (2 Yes / 2 No - Munawar, Resnisky / 3 abstain - Morrissey, Massey, Ferretti $=$ Motion FAILED). The Deep River Board decided to hold a special meeting Feb. 25th to further discuss the Supervision District budget, and to take another possible vote to approve it, as well as possibly fill a Board vacancy.

## Committee Reports

Joint BOE Policy Committee member L. Seidman discussed the policies being presented.
There was a second reading and brief discussion on the following policies:
\#5141.4 Students - Reporting Suspected Abuse
\#5131.81 Students - Use of Private Technology
\#3323 Business - Soliciting Prices
R. Daniels asked that policy \#5131.81 be pulled out for a separate vote.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Chester, Deep River, Essex (as part of their voting block at meeting's end) and Region 4 Boards unanimously VOTED to approve policies \#5141.1 Reporting Suspected Abuse and \#3323-Soliciting Prices as presented.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Chester (unanimously), Deep River (6 Yes / 1 No - Munawar / 0 abstain = Motion PASSED), Essex (unanimously - as part of their voting block at meeting's end), and Region 4 ( 6 Yes / 1 No - R. Daniels / 0 abstain = Motion PASSED) Boards VOTED to approve policy \#5131.81 Use of Private Technology as presented.

A first reading was held on the recommendation by both the Joint BOE Policy and Finance Committees to remove Policy \#3324 Business - Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders) from the policy manual and instead reference the current Business Manual in the Table of Contents. It will now go to the individual BOE meetings in March for further discussion and back on the April Joint BOE agenda for a second reading and possible vote.

A first reading was also held on the following policies, which will now go to the individual BOE meetings in March for further discussion and back on the April Joint BOE agenda for a second reading and vote

## \#3260 Business - Sales and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies \#5118 Students - Non Resident Attendance AND related policy \#3240 Business - Tuition Fees

The Joint BOE Finance Committee reported that the Committee met on Jan. 29th but did not have a quorum present. The Committee reminded members to please notify Ms. Allen if they are unable to attend.

Curriculum Committee Chair Tracy Dixon reported that the Joint BOE Curriculum Committee met on Jan. 29th. They heard a presentation on and approved IB resources for next year and resources for Intro to Early Childhood Education. They are scheduled to meet again on March 26th.

## District Security Advisory Committee

DG Fitton reported that the School Security Advisory Committee continues to meeting monthly. They discussed A.L.I.C.E. training recently completed by several administrators and staff. The Committee is waiting for budget determinations by the Boards to see how it impacts their current security recommendations.

## Assistant Superintendent's Report

Assistant Superintendent Martineau gave an update on Professional Development and Curriculum work including continuing work on report card improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: no comments were made.

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

> Next Regular Joint BOE Meeting, April 04, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Levy invited everyone to attend the "Choose Love Movement" presentation scheduled for Monday, February 25 th @ $6: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the JWMS library. Due to some of the subject matter that will be discussed it is recommended that parents only bring children ages 12 and up to hear the presentation.

## ADJOURNMENT:

On Motion duly made and seconded, the Chester, Deep River and Region 4 Boards of Education unanimously VOTED to adjourn at 8:57 p.m.

The Essex Board remained in session to take all of their votes as a block with L. McCluskey participating via phone. (see specific details listed above in the minutes)

On motion duly made and seconded, the Essex Board unanimously VOTED to adjourn at approx. 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,<br>Jennifer Bryan, Clerk








## 2019-20 Healthy Food Certification

Recommended for Board Vote:

1) Healthy Food Option: Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the board of education or governing authority certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2019, through June 30. 2020. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to, school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or by non-school organizations and groups.
2) Exemption for Food Items: The board of education or governing authority will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2 ) the sale is at the location for the event; and 3) the food items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An "event" is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events, but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The "regular school day" is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. "Location" means where the event is being held.

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| Region 4 |  |  |
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|  |  | 2018-2019 |
|  | 2018-2019 | PROJECTED |
| 2018-2019 | EXPENDITURES | SURPLUS |
| BUDGET | /ENCUMBERED | (DEFICIT) |
| 10,270,046 | 10,136,496 | 133,550 |
| 2,826,805 | 2,809,711 | 17,094 |
| 528,168 | 489,149 | 39,019 |
| 1,104,956 | 1,077,407 | 27,549 |
| 2,744,338 | 2,727,411 | 16,927 |
| 637,118 | 636,167 | 951 |
| 44,907 | 39,233 | 5,674 |
| 366,343 | 339,884 | 26,459 |
| 1,530,000 | 1,530,000 | 0 |


700 Equipment
800 Other
900 Debt Service
total

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100 Salaries 200 Benefits

300 Purchased Services 400 Rental/Repairs. 500 Other Purchased 600 Supplies 700 Equipment
800 Other 900 Debt Service


# DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING 

## Monday, February 25, 2019

A special meeting of the Deep River Board of Education was held on Monday, February 25, 2019 in the John Winthrop Middle School library. In attendance were: Tracy Dickson, Robert Ferretti, Missy Massey, Miriam Morrissey, Imran Munawar, Matt Resnisky, and Paula Weglarz. Also in attendance were: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent, Lon Seidman, and David Berardis.

Paula Weglarz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to move into Executive Session to interview a candidate for the Board vacancy. The Board interviewed David Berardis to fill the vacancy.

The Board moved out of Executive Session at $6: 38$ p.m.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to appoint David Berardis to fill the Board vacancy for the remainder of the term ending November 19, 2019.

The Board discussed and reviewed the Supervision district budget.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to add public comment to the agenda for comments on the Supervision budget.

One public comment was heard.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted (6-1) to approve the Supervision budget in the amount of $\$ 7,719,403$.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy Dickson, Board Secretary

## Business

## Sales \& Disposal of Books, Equipment \& Supplies

When equipment, books and materials become worn out, obsolete, surplus, or otherwise unusable in the schools, the Superintendent may authorize their sale, trade-in or disposal or trade in in a manner to the district's best advantage.

## Disposition of Outdated Books

The Superintendent of Schools may authorize the disbursement or destruction of outdated textbooks which are no longer useful to the educational program, provided that such books are a minimum of ten years old and have been determined obsolete by the professional administrative staff.

## Disposition of Equipment and Materials

Items with a market value may be traded in or be appropriately advertised to the general public in an attempt to produce a sale at fair market value. The proceeds of the sale shall be deposited to the General Fund.

1. The method of advertising and sale shall be determined by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her representative.
2. The Board shall be notified by the Superintendent of Schools prior to the sales of any item or items having an estimated value in excess of $\$ 500$.

Items without market value may be disposed of in such manner as the responsible building principal shall determine, with the prior approval of the Superintendent of Schools or his/her representative.

## Disposition of Funds

When books, equipment or materials are sold either to used book vendors or shredders, this money must be returned to the General Fund. If and when such books are given to the PTO, the PTO may dispose of them as they wish. Any monies received therefrom can be retained in the PTO account.

## Business

# Sales \& Disposal of Books, Equipment \& Supplies (continued) 

Legal Reference:
Connecticut General Statutes
10-220 Duties of boards of education.
10-240 Control of schools.
10-241 Powers of school districts.

## Students

## Resident/Non-Resident Attendance

Except as noted below, to be eligible to attend the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex, or Region 4 Schools, a student must reside within the legal boundaries of that town with parent(s) or legal guardian(s). In addition, a student may also reside with relatives or non-relatives when it is the intention of such parties and of the children or their parents or guardians that such residence be permanent, provided without pay and not for the sole purpose of obtaining an education. Documentation of residence or the conditions of residence will be required by the Board of Education. Such documentation may include affidavit of residency and/or guardianship papers.

The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to accept non-resident students in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex and Region 4 in accordance with the criteria set forth in this policy.

## I. General Provisions:

The following terms and conditions are to be used as guidelines when determining eligibility of non-resident students enrolling or continuing in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex and Region 4:
A. The Superintendent or his/her designee may recommend the initial enrollment or approve the continuation of a non-resident student in attendance if class size and other considerations such as the availability of resources permit. Decisions regarding class size and/or the availability of resources shall be made by the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall make a recommendation to the Board regarding the initial enrollment of a non-resident student. The Board shall vote to approve the initial enrollment of a non-resident student.
B. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall not hire additional staff to permit enrollment or continuation of non-resident students under this policy.
C. Non-resident students shall be assigned to whatever whichever class the Superintendent or his/her designee deems appropriate.
D. Non-resident student attendance shall be for one school year or less.
E. Non-resident student attendance may be extended from year to year at the discretion of the Superintendent or his/her designee.
F. This policy does not obligate the Board of Education to provide special education programs or services or create unique programs for students. If a

## Students

## Resident/Non-Resident Attendance (continued)

non-resident student is enrolled or continued in enrollment in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex or Region 4, and such student is eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"), the Board of Education shall not act as the local education agency for such child. In instances where special or additional services are provided for a non-resident student, a supplemental tuition or fee will be charged, when allowable, based upon the actual costs associated with providing the special or additional services.
G. Application for initial or continued enrollment of a non-resident student shall be made in writing on a form supplied by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
H. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall review the application and may interview the non-resident student and/or the student's past principal or responsible school personnel for consideration of initial enrollment.
I. Upon recommendation by the Superintendent, the Board shall vote upon the approval of a non-resident student's initial enrollment.
J. Application for continued enrollment shall be made on an annual basis, in writing on a form supplied by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
K. No student applying for enrollment pursuant to subsection G, shall be enrolled in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex or Region 4 until the Board has received tuition payment on behalf of such student in accordance with Section II. below
K. L. The Superintendent shall determine approval for continued enrollment on an annual basis, based on class size and other considerations such as the availability of resources and whether or not, in his or her opinion, continuation is in the best interest of the school system or the student.
E.M. All non-resident students or their parents or guardians, or the school district of residence, shall provide necessary transportation to and from school.
M.N. A non-resident student's continuation in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex or Region 4 will be contingent upon the student's compliance with all applicable rules and regulations of the Board of Education and the individual school, satisfactory academic progress, and the availability of staff and school resources. The Superintendent or his/her designee may terminate the nonresident student's enrollment at any time where, in his or her opinion, continuation is not in the best interest of the school system or the student.

## Students

Resident/Non-Resident Attendance

N. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the application of this non-resident student admission policy conflicts with the Board of Edueation's obligations under the McKinney Vento Homeless Education Assistanee Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431 et seq., the Board of Edueation shall act in a manner consistent with its ebligations thereunder.

Only non-resident students who meet the criteria set forth in this policy may enroll or continue in enrollment within the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex and Region 4.

## II. Tuition Students:

A. Tuition or and additional fees, if applicable, must be paid in advance on or before the first day of the sehool year, and on or before Jantary 1st. must be paid in advance on or before August 15 and January 15 in accordance with a signed tuition agreement. In the event a student withdraws or is terminated from enrollment in the middle of the school year, pro-rata fees will be refunded. Tuition may be paid by the school district of residence or by the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the non-resident student.
B. An annual tuition rate shall be set by the Board of Education, based on the average per pupil cost, of the enrolling district. Students requiring additional educational services will be charged additional fees based on the cost of the services provided. The tuition fee for special education students will be determined based on the annual cost of the regular education program plus the actual cost of special education services provided.
C. Transportation beyond that normally provided for students living within Chester, Deep River or Essex shall not be provided for non-resident students.

## III. Waiver of Tuition for Certain Students:

Upon written parental request, if the general conditions above are met, non-resident students may be allowed by the Superintendent of Schools in his/her discretion to attend district schools without tuition under one or more of the following eonditions circumstances:
A. A student whose parent or legal guardian purchases or leases property in Chester, Deep River or Essex and expects to occupy such property within sixty (60) days of the student's registration will be allowed to register in the public schools of Chester, Deep River, Essex or Region 4, provided that the sufficient documentation is provided, as determined by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

## Students

## Resident/Non-Resident Attendance

B. A student whose parent or guardian moves from Chester, Deep River or Essex on or after April 15 of the relevant school year, or a student in the twelfth grade whose parent or guardian moves from Chester, Deep River or Essex on or after February 1 of the relevant school year, will be permitted to finish the school year in the school the student had attended with written permission of the Superintendent of Schools.
C. A student whose parent or guardian has moved from Chester, Deep River or Essex may continue in the public schools of Chester, Deep River or Essex or Region 4, in the school the student had attended, until the end of the current marking period with the written permission of the Superintendent of Schools.

## SECOND READING

Related policy - red-line revision below is needed to match recommended language revision in policy 5118

## Business

## Tuition Fees

## Regular Day School

When an out-of-district pupil is given special Board of Education permission to attend the Chester, Deep River, Essex or Regional School District No. 4 Public Schools, the tuition fee shall be the average cost per pupil of the previous year plus 10\%_determined by the Board of Education.-

Semi-annual tuition must be paid in advance on or before August 15 and January 15. In the event a student withdraws from the Chester, Deep River, Essex or Regional School District No. 4 Public Schools, tuition for the semester in progress will not be refunded.

Non-resident students or their parents or guardians shall provide all necessary transportation to and from school. The district will not be responsible for any transportation to and from school.

A non-resident student's continued enrollment in the Chester, Deep River, Essex or Regional School District No. 4 Public Schools will be contingent upon compliance with all academic and disciplinary requirements, satisfactory academic progress, exemplary behavior, and the availability of staff and resources.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
10-33 Tuition in towns in which no high school is maintained.
10-35 Notice of discontinuance of high school service to nonresidents.

10-55 Pupils to attend regional school.

10-220 Duties of boards of education.

10-253 School privileges for children in certain placements, nonresident children and children in temporary shelters.

10-266 Reimbursement for education of pupils residing in state property.

Policy revised:


Encl \#6 SECOND READING - Both the Joint BOE Finance and Policy Committees recommend that this policy be removed from the Policy Manual. The Table of Contents for this Policy [Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)] shall simply reference the current Business Manual (similar to how some policy subjects are covered under current Contract(s) - e.g. look in the Online Policy Manual at the Table of Contents for the 4000 series. See the heading for 4111.2 \& the legend at the end of the Table of Contents - there is no written policy for Vacancies - you are instead referred to consult current contracts for that topic (T/A = refer to Teachers \& Administrators contracts)

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure

1. Phase 1-Distribution of Purchase Orders and Record Keeping
A. Each location principal will be allotted a reasonable number of purchase orders as often as necessary.
B. Purchase orders should be utilized in the numerical sequence in which they are distributed.
C. Purchase orders filled out in error, or canceled by an administrator, shall be voided at the location, with this indicated on the voided P.O. Voided purchase orders must be submitted to the Business Office for the void record which will be filed in the closed P.O. file.
2. Phase 2 - Purchase Requisitions shall be completely filled out, including all required Budget Coding Information.
A. The requesting agent, (teacher, clerk, custodian, nurse, etc), shall present such request upon the purchase requisition form to the building principal for his/her approval.
B. The purchase requisition must include the following:
(1) Item and number requested.
(2) Unit item (i.e. per dozen, per 100, etc.)
(3) Description of item and catalog item number if available.
(4) Catalog or list cost of the item.
(5) Appropriate vendor with address.
(6) Appropriate budget code number.
C. Upon approval, the location principal shall verify the code number and also verify that there is ample funding for orders via budget printout. He/she also must verify its being budgeted or its necessity. His/her approval is indicated by his/her signature on the requisition.

## Business

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure (continued)

3. Phase 3 - Purchase Orders are to be completely filled out at the school after Phase 2 has been completed.
A. The purchase order must be typed and include all the information categorized in Phase 2, item B.
B. The principal must approve of the purchase order (this is a re-approval of the requisition).
(1) The principal's or authorized administrative person's approval signature must appear in the appropriate location on the completed purchase order.
(2) The location principal or administrator is responsible for seeing to it that orders do not exceed budget allocation.
C. Principal/administrator must maintain record of the order (this may be done with a purchase order.)
D. The order should be complete with four copies and carbons left intact. The fifth copy (yellow) is retained by the school.
4. Phase 4-Purchase Orders Received at the Business Office
A. Purchase order is scrutinized to insure the form is properly completed with appropriate signature (if it is in error, it will be returned to the requestor.)
B. Funding verification is made via computer system. If insufficient funds are present, the purchase order will be returned to the requestor.
C. Purchase order is then forwarded to the Business Manager or Principal for review and final approval.
D. If there are any significant adjustments to be made in price, or change in product specifications, the Business Manager or Principal or his/her designee will notify the appropriate administrator on how to proceed.

## Business

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure (continued)

4. Phase 4 - Purchase Orders Received at the Business/Principal's Office (continued)
E. If no beneficial adjustments are necessary, the Business Manager or Principal approves the purchase order by affixing his/her signature to the document.
F. Purchase order is logged into the computer system.
G. Distribution of the five (5) part purchase order is as follows:
(1) Page 1 is given to the vendor.
(2) Pages 2 (green) and 3 (yellow) are retained by the school.
(3) Page 4 (pink) shall be placed in a numerical file.
(4) Page 5 (gold) shall be sent to the requesting principal or administrator who shall, upon receipt of goods and/or service, sign it, certifying acceptance of the goods and/or service and return it to the Business Office.
5. Phase 5 - Receipt of Order by Requesting School
A. When shipment arrives, the principal or his/her designate will check and verify contents against the original copy of the purchase order.
(1) When the order is complete, he/she will write complete, with signature, and attach the packing slip(s) to the copy of the P.O. and send it to the Business Office for payment.
(2) When the order is incomplete the principal will check off and initial those items that have arrived. He/she should hold this purchase order and packing slip until the balance of the order is shipped, and then forward the gold copy to the Business Office. A recommendation for payment of partial orders may be requested from the Business Office and approved/denied by the Principal/Administrator for valid reasons.

## Business

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure (continued)

5. Phase 5 - Receipt of Order by Requesting School (continued)
(3) If the remaining portion of the order is not filled within ninety (90) days then the remaining portion of the unfilled order should be canceled with a letter from the principal to the vendor. A copy of such cancellation notice shall be maintained by the principal and a copy forwarded to the Business Office with the purchase order and packing slip to indicate recommendation of payment for items received. (The principal may re-order these items if he/she wishes.)
(4) If anything is received damaged it should be noted on the purchase order and packing slip sent to the Business Office. The principal should contact the trucking company when damage occurs and receive the proper credits or adjustments.
B. The gold copy should be returned to the Business Office as soon as possible after receiving the order.
6. Phase 6-Receipt of Invoice and Purchase Order, Copy with Packing Slip from Principal
A. Upon receipt of the invoice from the vendor and certification of receipt of goods and/or services from the building principal, the purchase order copies shall be matched and made ready for payment.
(1) When paid, the encumbrance record is credited and the expenditure record is debited by the amount.
B. Upon acceptance for payment, checks will be produced by computer and signed by check signer.
(1) Upon payment to the vendor, page 5 (gold), shall be refiled alphabetically with page 3 (yellow) and all other pertinent information.
(2) Page 4 (pink) is already filed numerically - nothing happens.
(3) Page 2 (green) shall be forwarded to the requesting principal with an indication of amount of payment and as confirmation to payment.
(4) In the case of items eligible for reimbursement from federal funds, page 5 (gold) shall be forwarded to the appropriate authority as evidence of purchase.

## Business

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure (continued)

7. Phase 7-Bills
A. Regular monthly bills shall include the following:
(1) The appropriate account numbers will be included for such items as utilities, insurance, services, etc.
(2) Installment payments on services shall be made out on one purchase order with the monthly payments listed for the entire year. This way the entire amount will be encumbered and such encumbrance will be reduced by each payment that is made. Each payment will be made against this one purchase order indicating payment against the appropriate installment. (Expenditure is debited and encumbrance is credited.)
8. Phase 8-Maintenance, Repairs \& Petty Cash
A. When an emergency situation arises whereby a purchase of materials or services is required immediately, the principal shall authorize such purchase to remedy the situation.
(1) The Superintendent or Business Manager should be notified as soon as possible of such situation, preferably prior to such authorization if possible.
(2) The building principal shall then complete the required purchase order with costs as soon as possible in conformance with Phase 2 of these regulations and submit it immediately to the Business Office indicating on the purchase order that it was an emergency purchase.

## Business

## Ordering Goods and Services (Purchase Orders)

## Purchase Order Processing Procedure

8. Phase 8 - Maintenance, Repairs \& Petty Cash (continued)
(3) The principal shall have authority over this fund and distribute the funds as necessary and request appropriate receipts for purchases made.
(4) When the fund is nearly depleted, the principal shall request reimbursement by completing a purchase order with all receipts attached and appropriate account numbers for all such purchases followed by the dollar amounts charged to each account. (Phase 3 through Phase 6 of these regulations shall apply to requests for such reimbursement).

# DEEP RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING 

## Monday, February 25, 2019

A special meeting of the Deep River Board of Education was held on Monday, February 25, 2019 in the John Winthrop Middle School library. In attendance were: Tracy Dickson, Robert Ferretti, Missy Massey, Miriam Morrissey, Imran Munawar, Matt Resnisky, and Paula Weglarz. Also in attendance were: Dr. Ruth Levy, Superintendent, Lon Seidman, and David Berardis.

Paula Weglarz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to move into Executive Session to interview a candidate for the Board vacancy. The Board interviewed David Berardis to fill the vacancy.

The Board moved out of Executive Session at 6:38 p.m.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to appoint David Berardis to fill the Board vacancy for the remainder of the term ending November 19, 2019.

The Board discussed and reviewed the Supervision district budget.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to add public comment to the agenda for comments on the Supervision budget.

One public comment was heard.
On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted (6-1) to approve the Supervision budget in the amount of $\$ 7,719,403$.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted, Tracy Dickson, Board Secretary


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