

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION - SPECIAL MEETING**  
**March 22, 2018**

*A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on March 22, 2018 at the Central Office Board Room. Board of Education Chair, Joanne Nesti, called the meeting to order at 8:45 PM.*

**Members Present:** *Peter Sonski, Eric Couture, Eileen Blewett, Brenda Buzzi, Kathleen Zandi, Maura Wallin and Joanne Nesti*

**Members Absent:** *Suzanne Sack, Gerry Matthews, Sue Twachtman and Joel D'Angelo*

**Also Present:** *Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, Dr. Holly Hageman, Director of Finance, Martha Vaughn, Vice President of HK Education Association, Robin Duffield, and Board Clerk, Jamie Sciascia*

**Call to Order/Opening of Meeting:** *Board of Education Chair, Joanne Nesti, called the meeting to order at 8:45 PM.*

**Discussion of the Superintendent's Proposed 2018-2019 Budget:**

*The Board reviewed and discussed specific areas in the Proposed Budget: Special Education programs and hires as well as sharing services with other Districts. Board Members discussed in length saving money by finding a better way to purchase specific items at a lower cost like toilet paper, copying paper, etc. Further, technology supplies and other supplies that fall into Accounts 690 & 611 were addressed. One year subscriptions like periodicals, that were non-fiction oriented were also looked at. The HES Library books investment was discussed by the Board to see if the portion of funds could be eliminated and use of virtual online courses was also a topic of discussion. Superintendent Thiery gave a brief update on Insurance.*

**Adjournment:**

*The meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



*Jamie Sciascia*  
Board Clerk

Approval:  Date: 5/1/18  
Eileen Blewett, Secretary