

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
April 5, 2016**

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on April 5, 2016 in the Student Commons of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School. Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo, called the meeting to order at 8:08 PM.

Members Present: *Maura Cawley, Joanne Nesti, Eric Couture, Sue Twachtman, Suzanne Sack, Kathy Brown, Dan Chase Susan Dean, Jeannie Young, and Joel D'Angelo*

Members Absent: *Neal Perron*

Also Present: *Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Holly Hageman, and Director of Fiscal Operations, Martha Vaughn, and Board Clerk Larissa Johnson*

Visitors: *Approx. 25*

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Joel D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 8:08 PM.

Review of input from Annual Hearing and possible budget modification

The Board reviewed the proposed budget amount and reduction to the Superintendent's proposed budget. The proposed gross budget amount is \$42,225,841.32. They also reviewed the 3.0 FTE staff reductions at the elementary school level. Two of the staff reductions were put forth in the Superintendent's proposed budget and the Board proposed a third during the budget workshop process. The Board discussed that the reductions will be made as appropriate based on enrollment, although they will be at the elementary level.

Board of Education adopts 2016-2017 budget for Annual Meeting

*Sue Twachtman **MOVED** and Susan Dean **SECONDED** a motion to adopt a gross regional education budget of \$42,225,841.32 for the fiscal year 2016-2017. Motion passed 6-4-0 by the following votes:*

Kathy Brown	YES ___ NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A ___	Joanne Nesti	YES ___ NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A ___
Dan Chase	YES ___ NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A ___	Neal Perron	Absent
Maura Cawley	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___	Suzanne Sack	YES ___ NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A ___
Eric Couture	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___
Susan Dean	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___	Jeannie Young	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ___ A ___

Approval of Legal Call for May 2, 2016

*Kathy Brown **MOVED** and Sue Twachtman **SECONDED** a motion to approve the Legal Call as follows:*

A meeting of Regional School District No. 17 of the State of Connecticut, whose member towns are the towns of Haddam and Killingworth, will be held in the auditorium of Haddam-Killingworth High School on May 2, 2016 at 7:00 PM for the following purposes:

1. To adopt a regional education budget of \$41,477,946.42 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016.

The meeting will be adjourned to a yes/no vote on the budget which will take place on the voting machines in each of the member towns on the day following the district meeting; therefore, the vote on voting machines will take place May 3, 2016.

2. To set the voting hours of the referendum vote on the budget for the hours of 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM pursuant to Section 10-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by Public Act 94-245 and 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

A copy of the proposed budget recommended for adoption by the district Board of Education is on file and available for inspection and copies are available for distribution upon request at the office of the Superintendent of Schools at 57 Little City Road, Higganum, CT and at the offices of the town clerks of Haddam and Killingworth.

Motion passed 10-0-0 by the following votes:

Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Joanne Nesti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Chase	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Neal Perron	Absent
Maura Cawley	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Sack	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Eric Couture	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Dean	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jeannie Young	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
		Joel D'Angelo	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>

Adjournment

Board Chair Joel D'Angelo called for the meeting to adjourn at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Larissa B. Johnson
Board Clerk

Approval:  Date: 5/17/16
Kathy Brown, Secretary