

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING**

**ANNUAL MEETING  
June 1, 2015**

*A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on June 1, 2015 in the Haddam-Killingworth High School Auditorium. Board of Education Chair, Sue Twachtman, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.*

***Members Present:** Susan Dean, Dan Chase, Becky Valenti, Joel D'Angelo, Michele Amendola, Jeannie Young, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Karen Perry, and Sue Twachtman*

***Members Absent:** Brian Gamache and Kathy Brown*

***Also Present:** Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery, and Board Clerk Larissa Johnson*

***Visitors:** 11*

**Call to Order/Opening of Meeting**

*Board of Education Chair, Sue Twachtman called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*

**Nominations for Moderator**

*Carrie Howes of Higganum **MOVED** and Jen Maxwell of Haddam **SECONDED** a motion to nominate Dr. Paul Freeman of Killingworth as moderator. Motion passed unanimously (21-0) by a voice vote.*

*Dr. Paul Freeman gave the following introduction:*

*The Board of Education met for the District Budget Hearing on May 18, 2015 to present the revised 2015-2016 Budget and to listen to public input. At the special meeting following the budget hearing the Board of Education approved a revised proposed 2015-2016 budget of \$41,468,081.42. Copies of the revised proposed budget were provided to the Town Clerk in Haddam and Killingworth and posted on the RSD 17 web site on May 19, 2015.*

*At the special meeting the Board also adopted the Legal Call to Meeting, which was provided to the Town Clerks of Haddam and Killingworth on May 19, 2015 and published in the Middletown Press and Hartford Courant on May 20, 2015.*

**Legal Call Reading by Board Secretary**

*Moderator Dr. Paul Freeman asked the Board Secretary, Becky Valenti to read the legal call. Valenti read the following legal call into the record:*

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 June 1, 2015 at 7:00 PM for the following purposes:

1. To adopt a regional education budget of \$41,461,081.42 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.

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 June 2, 2015.

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.

*Moderator Dr. Paul Freeman stated that no vote will be taken at this time because the meeting will adjourn to a referendum vote at the usual polling places on Tuesday, June 2, 2015.*

### **Audience Questions**

*Moderator Dr. Paul Freeman asked the audience for questions. No questions from the audience were asked.*

### **Adjournment**

*Moderator Dr. Paul Freeman resigned as moderator.*

*Board Chair Sue Twachtman called a motion for the meeting to adjourn.*

*Amy Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Susan Dean **SECONDED** a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 PM. Motion passed unanimously (9-0) by a voice vote.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



Larissa B. Johnson  
Board Clerk

Approval: Becky Valenti Date: OCT 5 2015  
Becky Valenti, Secretary