

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
May 18, 2015**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on May 18, 2015 in the Central Office Board Room. Board of Education Chair, Sue Twachtman, called the meeting to order at 8:22 PM.

Members Present: Kathy Brown, Becky Valenti, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Jeannie Young, Susan Dean, Joel D'Angelo and Sue Twachtman

Members Absent: Brian Gamache, Michele Amendola, Karen Perry, and Dan Chase

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: 1

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Sue Twachtman called the meeting to order at 8:22 PM.

Review of input from Annual Hearing and possible budget modification

The Board discussed the input received at the second Annual Hearing. Several Board members mentioned that they felt a clear message from the community that both parents and students would like to see late bus service continue in the following school year. The Board discussed that they would like to work with the District's transportation company to see if they can continue to provide late bus service in an economical way to the middle and high school so that students may continue to have the opportunity to attend after-school sports and extra-curricular activities.

Board of Education adopts 2015-2016 budget for Annual Meeting

*Amy Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Susan Dean **SECONDED** a motion to adopt the Board of Education proposed budget of \$41,468,081.42 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year to be brought to the Annual Meeting on June 1, 2015. Motion passed 7-0-0 by the following votes:*

Michele Amendola	Absent	Amy Jacques-Purdy	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Karen Perry	Absent
Dan Chase	Absent	Becky Valenti	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"/>	Jeannie Young	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"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Brian Gamache	Absent		

Approval of Legal Call for June 1, 2015

Becky Valenti **MOVED** and Amy Jacques-Purdy **SECONDED** a motion to approve the Legal Call for June 1, 2015 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 June 1, 2015 at 7:00 PM for the following purposes:

1. To adopt a regional education budget of \$41,468,081.42 for 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.

Motion passed 7-0-0 by the following votes:

Michele Amendola	Absent	Amy Jacques-Purdy	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Kathy Brown	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>	Karen Perry	Absent
Dan Chase	Absent	Becky Valenti	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"/>	Jeannie Young	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"/>	Sue Twachtman	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/>
Brian Gamache	Absent		

Adjournment

Board Chair Sue Twachtman called for the meeting to adjourn at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Larissa B. Johnson
Board Clerk

Approval: Becky Valenti Date: June 2 2015
Becky Valenti, Secretary