

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
ANNUAL HEARING
April 2, 2012

A meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on April 2, 2012 in the Student Commons of Haddam-Killingworth Middle School. Board of Education Chair, Karen Perry, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

***Members Present:** Steven Banaletti, Peggie Bushey, Joel D'Angelo, Susan Dean, Chet Harris, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Jaime Lehane, Karen Perry, Sue Twachtman, Becky Valenti*

***Members Absent:** Jonathan Wintsch*

***Also Present:** Superintendent of Schools, Howard Thiery and Director of Fiscal Operations, Martha Vaughn*

***Visitors:** 10*

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board of Education Chair, Karen Perry called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Presentation of proposed 2012-2013 Board of Education Budget

Board Treasurer Peggie Bushey and Board Chair Karen Perry presented the 2012-2013 Board of Education Budget. Jaime Lehane commented that this budget represented a significant reduction without sacrificing teachers or education. Karen Perry also congratulated Superintendent Thiery and complimented him on streamlining the method of the budget organization.

Community Input regarding proposed 2012-2013 Board of Education Budget

Mark P. Lundgren of Haddam addressed the Board asked the Board to consider returning the management of bussing and transportation to the district, and discussed some activities involving students in the district with the Haddam Senior Center and some transportation concerns in facilitating such activities. Lundgren overall expressed happiness with the budget and stated that it had the transparency he was looking for.

Killingworth First Selectwoman Cathy Iino addressed the Board and asked about the reduction in the line item resulting from a retirement, and also asked about why the Health Insurance contribution was reduced. The Board responded by explaining that in the past the budget had over-contributed to the health insurance fund.

Adjournment

*Amy Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Sue Twachtman **SECONDED** a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM. Motion passed by the following votes:*

Steven Banaletti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jaime Lehane	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Peggie Bushey	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Karen Perry	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"/>	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"/>	Becky Valenti	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>
Chet Harris	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Jonathan Wintsch	Absent		
Amy Jacques-Purdy	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	A <input type="checkbox"/>				

Respectfully submitted,

Larissa B. Johnson

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Board Clerk

Approval: *Susan Dean* Date: *5/1/2012*
Susan Dean, Secretary