

Minutes of the Personnel Committee of the Board of Education  
Regional School District 14 [www.ctreg.org](http://www.ctreg.org)  
November 20, 2012

A meeting of the Planning Committee of the Regional School District 14 Board of Education was held on Monday November 19, 2012 in the Conference Room of the Central Office, 5 Minortown Road, Woodbury, Connecticut.

Present were Nate Levinson from The District Management Council, Superintendent Jody Ian Goeler, Dir. Of Spec. Services Kim Culkin, Committee Chair Maryanne Van Aken, and committee members Gary Suslavich, Pam Zmek, Board Chair George Bauer sitting in for John Chapman, Sophieane Bartlett, Community Member Alex DeSorbo

The meeting was called to order by M. Van Aken at 5:35pm.

The committee discussed the following:

**1. Presentation by Nate Levinson, Special Education Consultant:**

Mr. Levinson gave the Comm. an overview of the services provided by The District Management Council. The Opportunities Review encompasses General Education Staff and practices as well as Special Education Staff and practices. The goals of the Review are:

1. Raising Student Achievement
2. Controlling Costs, typically a district our size could see a savings of \$1,000,000-\$3,000,000.
3. Improving Parent Satisfaction.

The entire process usually takes between 4-6 months at a cost of \$125,000. This cost includes membership to all DMC Services as well as an Action Plan and Planning Retreat.

P. Zmek suggested we contact Futures Education, another Spec. Ed. consultant group she spoke with at the CAFE Convention and have them present to the Planning Comm. so that we could compare both groups before recommending one to the BOE. J. Goeler said he would contact them and set up a date for their presentation.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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