



**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
Date: March 4, 2025**

The Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education meeting was in the Haddam-Killingworth Middle School Library Media Center on March 4, 2025.

Board Member Attendance:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Joseph Centofanti	X		Dr. Nelson Rivera		X
Sonja Charpentier	X		Corey Roberts		X
Lisa Connelly	X		Suzanne Sack	X	
Jennifer Favalora	X		Jennifer Voegtli	X	
Shawna Goldfarb		X	Dr. Kathleen Zandi	X	
Heather Pach	X				

Also Present Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Wihbey, Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Miller, Director of Finance and Operations Alison Pierce, Director of Student Services Dr. Aaron Puzarne, Board Administrator Sarah Kaiser, Curriculum Coordinators Jennifer Beermuender and Heather Rigatti, Principal Dorothy Ventura, Assistant Principal Heather Persson, Principal Eric Larson

Visitors: 3

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting

Board Chair Suzanne Sack called the meeting to order at 7:24 PM.

The pledge of allegiance was recited at the Superintendent's presentation to the Joint Towns before this meeting.

Discussion of the Superintendent's Proposed Budget 2025-2026

Principal Larson presented a summary of the Intermediate School's budget to the Board, explaining various categories that require funding. Mr. Larson clarified specific account lines

and discussed budget requests regarding items such as textbooks, educational materials, staffing, and software. He highlighted accomplishments of both student learning and staff. Principal Larson answered questions from the Board.

Principal Ventura and Assistant Principal Persson presented the Board with a summary of various achievements and accomplishments of the Middle School. They discussed proposed budget requirements and provided additional clarifying budget line information. They answered any specific Board questions.

The Board discussed the workshop process and any questions from past meetings. The next Budget Workshop is scheduled for March 11, 2025.

Adjournment

Board Chair Sack adjourned the meeting at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Kaiser

Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Approval: _____ Date: _____

Dr. Kathleen Zandi, Board Secretary