Minutes
Board of Education – District Meeting (Budget)
Monday, May 19, 2025; 5:00 p.m.
Flanders Room, Mitchell Elementary School
OFFICIAL MINUTES – BOARD APPROVED – MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025

Present:	**Absent:**
Chris Matta, Presiding Board Member	Jim Crocker
Carol Ann Brown	Chris Griffin
Alice Jones	Tikva Rose
Michael Carbonneau	Caren Lipinski

Also Present:
Brian Murphy, Superintendent
Tina Tanguay, Director of Finance and Operations
Jamie McLaughlin, Moderator of the Meeting
Patricia Paige, Meeting Clerk

I. Call to Order
Presiding Board Member Chris Matta called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and acquaintances were made

III. Appointment of Moderator
Chris Matta appointed Mr. Jamie McLaughlin as Meeting Moderator

IV. Appointment of Meeting Clerk by Moderator
Mr. McLaughlin appointed Patricia Paige as the Meeting Clerk

V. CALL OF MEETING
Mr. Jamie McLaughlin read the "Call of the Meeting"

All electors and citizens who are qualified to vote in town meetings of the Towns of Bethlehem and Woodbury, Connecticut, are hereby notified and warned that a

District Meeting of Regional School District No. 14 will be held Monday, May 19, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at the Mitchell Elementary School; Flanders Room; 14 School Street; Woodbury, CT.

PURPOSE:
TO CONSIDER THE AMENDED BUDGET SUBMITTED BY
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF $42,876,215.
The vote on said budget will be by the voting machines in the towns of Bethlehem, (Town Hall, 36 Main Street South) and Woodbury, (Senior Center, 265 Main Street South) Connecticut on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., the day following the District Meeting.

VI. NOTE OF REFERENDUM HOURS

Mr. McLaughlin noted the referendum hours

- Referendum, Tuesday, May 20, 2025 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

VII. STATEMENT BY CHAIRPERSON

Chris Matta read the Statement by Chairperson

"I present the 2025-2026 School District Amended Budget, approved by the Region 14 Board of Education in the amount of $42,876,215 in accordance with Section 10-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

In accordance with Section 10-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Region 14 Board of Education has separately established a "Reserve Fund for Capital and Nonrecurring Expenditures" in which the aggregate amount of annual appropriations and any supplemental appropriations from surplus funds shall not exceed 2% of the annual district operating budget.

In accordance with Section 10-51 (a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Region 14 Board of Education has a statement of Estimated Receipts and Expenditures for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 fiscal years, Estimated Surplus or Deficit in operating funds at the end of the current fiscal year, Bonded Debt, and Estimated Per Pupil Expenditures for the Current and Next Fiscal Year."

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment read by Mr. McLaughlin

"The Annual District Meeting this evening is to be considered in recess until the

following day, Tuesday, May 20, 2025 when the polls open in each of the two member towns for the purpose of voting the question. The meeting shall then be considered adjourned following the close of the polls in the two member towns and announcements made of the results of the voting question.

IX. VOTING MACHINE INFORMATION

QUESTION:

Shall the amended budget submitted by the Board of Education for Regional School District No. 14 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 in the amount of $42,876,215 be approved?

_____YES _____NO

The Board recessed at 5:06 p.m.