Minutes
Board of Education – District Meeting (Budget)
Monday, May 5, 2025; 6:00 p.m.
Flanders Room, Mitchell Elementary School
Official Minutes – Board Approved
Monday, June 2, 2025

Present:
Jim Crocker, Chairman
Chris Matta
Carol Ann Brown
Alice Jones
Michael Carbonneau
Caren Lipinski

Absent:
Tikva Rose
Chris Griffin

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
Chairman Crocker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

III. Appointment of Moderator
Chairman Crocker 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 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mitchell Elementary School; Flanders Room; 14 School Street; Woodbury, CT.

PURPOSE:
TO CONSIDER THE 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 $43,346,298.
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 6, 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 6, 2025 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

VII. STATEMENT BY CHAIRPERSON

Chairman Crocker read the Statement by Chairperson

"I present the 2025-2026 School District Budget, approved by the Region 14 Board of Education in the amount of $43,346,298 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 6, 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 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 $43,346,298 be approved?

_____YES _____NO"

The Board recessed at 6:05 p.m.