

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on April 13, 2006, at Burr Elementary School, to approve (*correction: adopt*) the 2006-07 budget and the legal call for the May 1, 2006, annual district meeting. Board of Education Chairman Robert Baranoff called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques-Purdy, Jo Ferjak, Nancy Gorski, Diane Stock, Mark Almeida, Robert Baranoff, Richard Cabral, Michael Trahan, and Daniel Cronin.

Members absent: Mary Withington and Douglas Stevenson.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala, Director of Finance and Operations Gary J. Shettle, and Board Clerk Ann Lang.

**Approval of 2006-07 Budget**

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cronin **SECONDED** that the Board approve (*correction: adopt*) a budget of \$32,705,012 for the 2006-07 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, to be brought to the May 1 annual meeting. Motion passed unanimously. (*Correction: motion was not unanimous. Richard Cabral voted nay.*)

**Approval of Legal Call for May 1 Annual Meeting**

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cronin **SECONDED** that the Board approve the legal call for the May 1 annual meeting as follows:

*A meeting of Regional School District No. 17 of the State of Connecticut, whose member towns are the towns of Haddam and Killingworth, will be held in the auditorium of Haddam-Killingworth High School on May 1, 2006, at 7 p.m., for the following purposes:*

*(1) To adopt a regional education budget of \$32,705,012 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006.*

*The meeting will be adjourned to a yes/no vote on the budget which will take place on the voting machines in each of the member towns on the day following the district meeting; therefore, the vote on voting machines will take place May 2.*

*(2) To set the voting hours of a referendum vote on the budget for the hours of 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. pursuant to Section 10-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by Public Act 94-245 and 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes.*

*A copy of the proposed budget recommended for adoption by the district Board of Education is on file and available for inspection and copies are available for distribution upon request at the office of the Superintendent of Schools on Little City*  
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*Road, Higganum, CT, and in the offices of the Town Clerks of Haddam and Killingworth.*

Motion passed. Aye: Amy Jacques-Purdy, Jo Ferjak, Nancy Gorski, Diane Stock, Mark Almeida, Robert Baranoff, Michael Trahan, and Daniel Cronin. Nay: Richard Cabral.

**Approval of Final Plans and Specifications for the Furnishings, Furniture, and Equipment, Including Technology Equipment, Dated April 5, 2006, and the Professional Cost Estimates for the Furnishings, Furniture and Equipment, Including Technology Equipment, Dated April 5, 2006, for the New Intermediate/Middle School State of Connecticut Project Number 217-0040 N of Phase 2 of 2**

Mr. Shettle explained that he spoke with David Wedge, the Bureau Chief of the School Facilities Unit at the State Department of Education, who stated that the Board could change plans and specifications for desks, chairs, technology, etc., after approval is given by the School Facilities Unit.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Ms. Stock **SECONDED** that the Board approve the final plans and specifications for furnishings, furniture, and equipment, including technology equipment, dated April 5, 2006, and the professional cost estimates for the furnishings, furniture and equipment, including technology equipment, dated April 5, 2006, for the new intermediate/middle school State of Connecticut Project Number 217-0040 N of Phase 2 of 2. Mr. Cabral voiced discomfort at approving the motion, but said he would rely on the people who served on the Building Committee and the Superintendent. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Cronin **MOVED** and Mr. Almeida **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date

***Approved as corrected at the May 9, 2006 Board of Education meeting.***

*S:minutes:spec mtg 4.13.06*