

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL AT THE NEXT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
DEEP RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 15, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Deep River Board of Education was held on Thursday, March 15, 2012. In attendance were Christine Daniels, Karen Nelson-Oliveria, Dave Berardis, Miriam Morrissey, Mark Malcarne (arrival 7:26 p.m.), Art Robbins, Liz Tracy-Montecalvo (arrival 7:20 p.m.), and James Olson (arrival 7:22 p.m.). Also in attendance were Ian Neviasser, Assistant Superintendent, Kelley Frazier, Clerk. Absent: Julia Grabowski

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Daniels at 7:04 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dave Berardis made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2012 and the minutes from the Budget Workshop from February 9, 2012 as amended, the correction was that Miriam Morrissey did attend the workshop, as well as the Accounts Payable report. Karen Nelson-Oliveria seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the board.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE- J. Pietrick
STUDENT PRESENTATION

Dr. Pietrick introduced Grace Martorelli and Jake Kruszewski who gave an update on the events happening at Deep River Elementary School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS:

Financial Status Report – Mr. Garth Sawyer

Mr. Sawyer was unavailable, so Mr. Neviasser gave a brief update of the financial status for Deep River Elementary School. The school is meeting their goals financially. The Deep River Elementary budget is projecting an operating surplus at this point. We will keep the Board informed of any developments as they arise.

Cafeteria Report – Mr. Sawyer

Mr. Neviasser gave an update on the status of the Cafeteria Budget Updates. At this point, there is a small surplus. We are still projecting the board subsidy, but no additional funds are expected. The amount will be adjusted at the end of the year.

Mr. Neviaser reviewed the requested budget transfers.

Jim Olson made a motion to approve the 2011 - 2012 budget transfers as recommended by Mr. Neviaser. Miriam Morrissey seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

Supervision District

The Supervision District Committee approved their budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

Deep River Elementary School (Buildings and Grounds) Committee: C. Daniels

This Committee has not met.

Finance

The Finance Committee will meet on March 27, 2012.

Curriculum

The Curriculum Committee will meet on March 20, 2012.

Joint PK-12 Policy Committee

No Update

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - I. Neviaser

Mr. Neviaser noted that the third annual art show, which was held today at Central Office went well. He estimated 150-200 people attended this show. He noted that all schools are in the midst of CMT's. It has gone well. There have been a few problems with the online system, but those issues have been resolved. There will be more supplemental testing than anticipated.

Review of Strategic School Profile for 2010-11

Mr. Neviaser discussed the Strategic School Profile report. This is on the state website. He noted that this is last year's information, as this report is always a year behind. There were a few corrections that the board noted needed to be made. Mr. Neviaser noted the corrections. Dr. Pietrick discussed how he analyzes the data.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - R. Levy

District Update

Dr. Levy was not present.

Discussion and Possible Vote to Adopt Proposed 2012-13 Deep River Elementary School Budget to be presented to the Town

The proposed budget has a 5.38% increase.

Ms. Daniels noted that class size in next year's first grade and fourth grade was reviewed in completing the budget. The philosophy is that lower grades should have smaller class sizes. Administration reviewed the class sizes and is making the following recommendation that next year there will be four first grade classes and two fourth grade classes. The proposed budget includes full day Kindergarten but it is noted that full day Kindergarten is not having a large impact on the budget numbers. The three additional para educators in the budget are for three students who need individual para educators. The budget will be presented on Wednesday, March 21, 2012 to the town Board of Finance.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board **VOTED** to adopt the Deep River Elementary School Budget for the 2012 – 13 school year in the amount of \$5,472,375.00 (five million, four hundred and seventy two thousand, three hundred and seventy five dollars). The motion was unanimously approved. The budget will now be presented to the town at the Board of Finance meeting on Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously **VOTED** to move into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to review staff non-renewals. The motion passed. Dr. Pietrick and Mr. Neviasser were asked to attend the Executive Session. At 8:03 p.m. a motion was made and seconded and unanimously **VOTED** to come out of Executive Session.

On a motion made by Mark Malcarne and seconded by Dave Berardis, the Board unanimously **VOTED** to approve the non-renewal of teachers as presented by Mr. Neviasser. The motion carried unanimously.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Board Clerk

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9.1 Present DRES 2012-13 Adopted Budget at Town Meeting (March 21, 2012 @ 7:30 p.m. @ Town Hall)