

Region #9 Board of Education  
(Joint Meeting with R9 BOE)  
Meeting of the Committee on Financial Oversight  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005  
Location: Joel Barlow High School Redding, CT  
Minutes

Attendance: Coppinger, Eichhorn, Heller, Poltrack, and Gombos

Board Members: Bonfanti, Shapiro and Harris

Admin: Mas, Haig and Budd

Public: Various

Media: Post/Easton Courier/Ali Farsun Redding Pilot

Ms. Gombos calls the meeting to order at 7:40pm.

**Motion:** To scramble the agenda move item 3a Discussion and possible action on the 2005-06 budget to item #2 on the agenda.

Maker Bonfanti/Coppinger

Motion passes unanimously

**Motion:** To move Public comment (item # 5) to item #2 on the agenda

Maker: Coppinger/Herrmann

Motion Passes Unanimously

**Public Comment:**

Mary Kubic asks for clarification of the contract situation with KBA and the Region.

Mr. Poltrack states that we have had a contract with KBA and have had one for several years with regards the project.

Discussion and possible action on the Proposed 2005-06 budget.

Members give their target for a percentage change over the current 2004-05 budget that the administration should try and reach.

Mr. Heller recommends a 5.75% increase target for the administration.

Mr. Bonfanti recommends a 6.0% increase target for the administration.

Mr. Coppinger recommends a 6.25% increase as a target.

Ms. Harris recommends a 6.0 % increase as a target.

Mrs. Eichhorn recommends a 6.25% increase as a target.

Mr. Poltrack recommends a 5.75% increase as the target.

Mr. Herrmann recommends a 5.75% target increase.

Ms. Gombos recommends a 5.75% increase as the target.

Ms. Shapiro recommends a 5.75% increase as the target number.

**Motion:** That the FOC recommend that the Board of Education direct the administration to develop a revised budget holding the increase to no more than a 5.75% increase over the 2004-05 budget. Which should detail the differences with the failed budget proposal.

Maker Gombos/ Heller  
Motion passes unanimously.

BOE adjourns meeting Time 9:17PM

#### **Discussion and possible action on invoices**

Dan Heller presents the invoices for approval

**Motion:** That the FOC recommend to the Board of Education approve the following invoices for payment

		Budget	Actual	Diff.
Drywall Associates	Closeout	87,935.00	59,305.00	28,630
Central CT Acoustics	Closeout	40,873.00	27,668.00	13,205
EdMor Invoice 17		25,498.90	25,498.90	-
EdMor Invoice 19		42,798.60	42,798.60	-
Nettleton Invoice 1		138,026.00	138,026.00	-
Nettleton Invoice 2		101,280.21	101,280.21	-
Jim's Tree Service	1/27/05 18064	525.00	525.00	-
Jim's Tree Service	1/27/05 18066	800.00	800.00	-
Jim's Tree Service	1/27/05 18081	1362.00	1362.00	-
Jim's Tree Service	3/24/05 18437	825.00	825.00	-
Upper Valley Mechanical	5/5/05 closeout	33,696.38	0	33,696
Robert Lord		800.00	800.00	-

Note the following invoices for EdMor have already been approved but the amount of payment is less than the amount on the invoice. The discrepancy comes from the reduction of tool rentals. These invoices should be paid the following approved amounts.

EdMor	invoice #16	32,201,.52
EdMor	invoice #18	24,662.00

Maker Heller/ Bonfanti  
Motion passes unanimously

### **Discussion and possible action on the clerk of the works**

Mr. Poltrack states that Walter has been the de-facto clerk of the works on the building project and per zoning board requirements has been available 24/7, and has made several late night and weekend trips to school for this purpose. He has worked 55-60 hours per week with approximately 1/3 of those hours dedicated to the building project.  
@ \$30/hr for 8 weeks time and 20hrs per week he should receive a \$5000 stipend now and an additional \$5000 at the end of his duties as acting clerk of the works.

**Motion:** That the FOC recommend to the Board of Education the recommendation from the C3 committee that we compensate Walter Zudac the amount of \$5,000.00 now and another \$5,000.00 at the completion of the building project for duties related acting clerk of the works for the Building Project.

Maker Heller/Poltrack  
Motion passes unanimously

**Motion:** To move public comment to item #5 on the agenda.

Maker Coppinger/Bonfanti  
Motion passes unanimously

Public Comment

Mary Kubic does not understand Mr. Poltrack explanation of the KBA contract situation.

### **Other items**

**Motion:** That the Region 9 Board Chair direct the administration to insert a line item, for Capital Improvement in the new proposed 2005-06 budget with a specific dollar amount.

Maker Gombos/Heller  
Motion passes unanimously

**Motion:** To enter executive session.

Maker Herrmann/Coppinger  
Motion asses unanimously

Committee enters executive session at 9:52PM

Re-enter Public session at 10:00PM

Next meeting Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM

Motion: To adjourn

Maker Coppinger/Heller  
Motion passes unanimously

Submitted May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005  
Paul N Coppinger  
FOC Secretary