



BOARD OF FINANCE

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, March 19, 2009 - 6:30 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center - Meeting Room "E" - Board of Education Conference Room

PRESENT: J. Philip Gallagher, William Britt, Kevin Riley, William Slifkin, James Roden, Gary Regan and John Dietter. Also in attendance were members of the Board of Education.

J. Philip Gallagher called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.) Excess Costs presentation - discussion of State of Connecticut requirements for filing for Special Education costs and reimbursement

Linda Pica, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services explained the state law requirements for special education and for who the special education funds and care are administered. Mrs. Pica responded to questions from both the Board of Education and Board of Finance.

2.) Discussion of confidential educational records not subject to disclosure under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) - Recommended Executive Session - CT General Statutes 1-210(b)(17)

The Board of Education went into Executive Session. Kevin Riley made a motion, which was seconded by William Britt, for the Board of Finance to go into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Executive Session ended at 7:25 p.m.

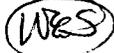
J. Philip Gallagher recessed the Board of Finance meeting to Meeting Room "A".

3.) Conflict of Interest question

James Roden stated he felt that Kevin Riley should have exempted himself from voting on the Board of Education budget at the last meeting since his wife (Kevin Riley's wife) worked for the Board of Education. Kevin Riley said there wasn't any conflict of interest; He also said it was up to him, not the board to exempt himself. James Roden advised that he would take the matter to the Ethics Board.

William Britt made a motion, which was seconded by William Slifkin, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:43 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

William Britt
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