

COMMITTEE FOR SHARED SERVICES

February 22, 2016

5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Barkhamsted Dawn Bobinski
Colebrook Jeanne Jones, Chairperson
Norfolk Carolyn Childs, Vice-Chairperson
Regional #7 Theresa Kenneson, Secretary/Treasurer
Superintendents' Council Judith Palmer, Sup't-Regional #7
Shared Services Quentin H. Rueckert, Executive Director

ABSENT: Hartland Vacant

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Jones called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. PUBLIC PORTION:

- a. Special visitors or delegations
None
- b. Opportunity for public to speak on agenda items
None

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF January 25, 2016, meeting:

Motion by Theresa Kenneson, seconded by Dawn Bobinski, to accept the minutes as presented.

In favor: Jeanne Jones, Dawn Bobinski, and Theresa Kenneson
Opposed: None
Abstained: Carolyn Childs

4. Director's Report:

Quentin Rueckert reported that he has been working on the budget and preparing a draft for the Committee for Shared Services to review. Quentin Rueckert shared that he continues to work on expanding the Bridges Program, possibly to include pre-school aged students. The pre-school program is anticipating some significantly high need students coming into the program, which may necessitate a more intensive level of service. The Bridges Program model is well suited to accommodate these students. Quentin Rueckert will keep the Committee updated.

5. SUPERINTENDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT:

Judy Palmer reported that the bulk of the discussion at the last superintendents' meeting was focused on budgets, special education costs, and insurance. Each of the

respective districts are facing challenges to control costs and are in the process of budget season.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

7. OLD BUSINESS:

None

8. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Presentation of the check register to the CSS treasurer: The check register was provided electronically to Theresa Kenneson.

b. Quentin Rueckert presented an outline draft of the proposed 2016-2017 Shared Services' budget with a breakdown of percentages and costs to each of the towns. The overall increase in the proposed budget is 2.52%. The Committee discussed the budget and voted to accept the budget as presented.

Motion by Carolyn Childs, seconded by Dawn Bobinski, to accept the 2016-2017 Shared Services' budget as presented.

In favor: Jeanne Jones, Dawn Bobinski, Carolyn Childs and Theresa Kenneson
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

9. OTHER:

None

10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

None

MOTION at 5:40 p.m. by Theresa Kenneson, seconded by Carolyn Childs, to adjourn the meeting.

In favor: Jeanne Jones, Dawn Bobinski, Carolyn Childs and Theresa Kenneson
Opposed: None
Abstain: None

Respectfully submitted,

Quentin H. Rueckert

Approved: 3-21-16