

Regional School District No. 7  
Board of Education Minutes  
Colebrook  
March 28, 2007

**AMENDED AND  
APPROVED  
4/11/07**

PRESENT: Mr. Thomson, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gregor, Mr. Griffey, Mr. Lanctot, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Kenneson, Acting Superintendent Newbury, High School Principal Conner, Middle School Principal Perez, Student Representatives Megan McCoy and Michael Welch

Mr. Thomson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thomson presented an overview of the adjusted working budget which represents a 3.12% increase over last years budget.

BUDGET  
PRESENTATION

Mr. James Millar of Colebrook asked benefit questions specific to the English and Physical Ed/Health positions in series 100.

PUBLIC

Mr. Ron Aubel of Colebrook asked questions about custodian salary/benefits; asked that the Board continue to try and keep staff costs down; explore the possibility of a part time/no benefit M.S. secretarial position versus a .8; and commended the board for all their hard work in this budget process.

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Lanctot, and passed unanimously, to approve the amended minutes of the March 7, 2007 Special Budget Meeting.

APPROVE  
AMENDED  
3/7/07 MINS.

MOTION by Mrs. Kenneson, seconded by Mr. Jerram, and passed unanimously, to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2007 Board of Education meeting.

APPROVE  
3/14/07 MINS.

Middle School Principal, Ms. Perez reported that we have 30 French students and 4 teachers visiting us from France for a week.

REPORTS

Megan McCoy reported she was not getting a good response from other schools in bringing James Binnall here as a speaker. She will continue the search for another speaker for next year.

ST REP  
REPORT

Mr. Newbury has informed the Board that the new transformer has arrived.

UPDATES

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mrs. Kenneson and passed unanimously to accept the 'Adoption of Call of District Budget Hearing' letter as written with Mr. Thomson's signature.

DISTRICT  
BUDGET  
LETTER

MOTION by Mrs. Sweeney, seconded by Mrs. Kenneson and passed unanimously to accept the letter of resignation by Catherine Avedesian.

CORRES-  
PONDENCE

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Lanctot and passed unanimously to accept the letter of resignation by D. Majewicz.

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mrs. Sweeney and passed unanimously to set the day of graduation for Monday, June 18, 2007 provided there are no more snow days by April 1, 2007.

GRADUATION  
DAY

The following budget items were revisited for discussion and acceptance.

BUDGET  
DELIBERATIONS

Two nurse positions

To accept a .4 Social Studies Teacher position instead of a .6 position.

Increases to out of town student tuition to be phased in over a two year period. This year to be a 50% increase and next year the full increase of fees.

M.S. Content Leader position to be held for further review.

M.S. Secretary position on hold. Further review by Mr. Newbury to consider the possibility of one or two .4 positions with no benefits.

Library Book cuts to be reconsidered. Mr. Newbury will present an alternate proposal.

Mr. Thomson will appoint a committee at a future date to study tuition fees for Special Education STEP program.

FUTURE  
AGENDA ITEM

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Griffey and passed unanimously to go into Executive Session at 9:25 p.m.

EXEC SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Griffey and passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 9:50 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Griffey, seconded by Mrs. Sweeney and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Ganci, Clerk