

**CHAPLIN, HAMPTON, SCOTLAND AND  
REGIONAL DISTRICT ELEVEN  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Chaplin, Connecticut**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – June 26, 2007**

The Special Meeting was called to order by Chair Leslie Wertam at 6:03 PM. Present were board members Charles Bruckerhoff, Dianne Beer, Jennifer Nelson, Christina Moore, Marion Taylor and Ellen Schreiber. Also present was Interim Superintendent Dr. Colette Traylor.

**2. 2007-2008 Budget Worksession**

The Superintendent opened budget discussion by stating that she was asked to look at the budget to try to reduce spending without affecting the students. Dr. Traylor looked at former central office administration's insurance benefits. There are adjustments that can be made to the Special Education director, Superintendent and Business Office group insurance line items. This would amount to a \$15,813 savings in Object 210 in the Region #11 budget for 07-08. These adjustments represent actual costs at the current staffing level of the former central office.

**3. Approval of 2007-2008 Budget for Presentation at Tri-Town Meeting**

*Motion to approve a budget of \$6,156,296 made by Christina Moore, seconded by Diane Beer.*

Charles Bruckerhoff stated that a former BOE member asked him if there is room any of these areas to make additional cuts; Objects 107, 112, 115, 306, 326 and athletic transportation?

Jen Nelson provided information as to what the object functions include:

107 – special education director, social worker, technology support coordinator, athletic director  
112 – clerical, all secretarial staff in school and those from shared services.

Leslie stated that these reflect differences with the dissolution of the COC.

Charles asked if shared services agreement is finalized. Leslie responded that it is all set, waiting for her signature upon receipt from the Chaplin attorney.

Jen continued.

115 – computer technology specialist and superintendent secretary.

306 – professional development. This is the cost for the project approved at the last meeting to address NEASC issues and in lieu of the curriculum director that was in the original budget.

326 – includes replacing Tenex and providing a new vendor contract for computer services. Was an item shared by the COC in the past – is no longer.

518 – athletic transportation..... in the 06-07 budget insurance and transportation were transposed (object 520 and 518).

Charles asked where cuts were made today? Cuts today were in object 210 Group Insurance, a \$15,813 savings from the previously approved budget.

*The motion carried 6.0 to 1.3 with the following weighted vote:*

*Yes: D. Beer (1.3), L. Wertam (.9), C. Moore (1.3), J.Nelson (.8), E. Schreiber (.8) and M. Taylor(.9)*

*No: C. Bruckerhoff (1.3)*

**4. Method of Voting and Set Date for Tri Town Meeting**

***Motion to present budget at Tri Town meeting on July 9 at 7 PM and adjourn to referendum on July 10 from 6 AM to 8 PM, made by Christina Moore, seconded by Jennifer Nelson and carried unanimously.***

***Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM made by Dianne Beer, seconded by Ellen Schreiber, carried unanimously.***