

MINUTES
FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE
GUILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
DECEMBER 10, 2007

IN ATTENDANCE:

GUILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION –William Bloss, Barbara Dudley, Louis Iorio, Alan Meyers and Ted Zuse. Keith Bishop joined the meeting in progress.

BOARD OF EDUCATION STAFF – Thomas Forcella, Andy Potochney and Linda Trudeau

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Bloss reviewed the financial reports for November 2007. Mr. Bloss noted payments to Nancy Boyle for professional development and Nancy Moss for Special Education Contracted Services. Dr. Meyers expressed his concern over the expenditures for outsourcing for special education services and stated that the Board should meet with the Pupil Services Director to discuss this issue. A discussion of special education tuition and alternative placements was held.

Mr. Bloss noted a payment to the University of New Haven for interns. Dr. Forcella stated that one intern is at Guilford Lakes and one is at Guilford High School. Mr. Bloss also noted payments to Guilford Youth & Family services for the Student Assistance Counselor at Adams Middle School, Shoreline Security for the installation of security cameras at C.O. North and payments made to parents to reimburse them for tuition and transportation for Special Education per mediation agreements. The projected over-expenditures in the Tuition, Transportation and legal accounts were discussed.

Mr. Potochney discussed the purchase of energy from sources other than C.L.& P. Mr. Potochney suggested that the Board consider entering into an agreement with CCM to purchase Electricity. Mr. Potochney stated that the current lease for copiers expires on June 30, 2008 and that he has requested proposals from five to six companies. He stated that he would keep the Board updated. Mr. Potochney stated that he is currently compiling information for an RFP for buses. He noted that he would get the package to the Transportation Committee in January. A discussion of busing issues was held.

The bid for gas, diesel and heating fuel was discussed. Discussions were also held regarding the joint meeting with the Board of Finance, capital projects for the 2008-09 Budget and the Guilford High School and Adams Middle School projects.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Trudeau
Accounting Manager