

The Regional District 13 Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, July 26, 2005 at 7:15 p.m. in the library at Coginchaug Regional High School. Board members present: Mrs. Adams, Mr. Currlin, Mrs. Golschneider, Mr. Hicks, Dr. Ochterski, Ms. Parsons, Mr. Raczka, Dr. Shoemaker, Ms. Wallach. Member absent: Mr. Hennick. Also present: Mrs. Viccaro.

Mr. Raczka called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

There was no public comment.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Dr. Shoemaker, the agenda was unanimously approved.

NCLB: Mrs. Viccaro reported Governor Rell signed the bill that contained the pending suit against the government for the lack of funding for NCLB. The suit stated the unfunded mandate would cost Connecticut between 200-240 million dollars to implement. This is on top of the under funding of IDEA. Mrs. Viccaro spoke with Attorney Susan Freedman and if the Board of Education votes in favor of supporting this suit there will be no legal ramifications. She said it is important for public perception to know the Board is not voting against NCLB but against the lack of funding for NCLB in conjunction with the lack of funding for IDEA.

On a motion by Mr. Currlin, second Ms. Parsons, the Board of Education unanimously voted to support the State of Connecticut's NCLB pending lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Education.

On a motion by Dr. Shoemaker, second Mrs. Adams, the Board of Education unanimously approved the two Cross-Country field trips to Well Fleet MA on Sept. 2-5, 2005 and to Thetford, VT on Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2005.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mr. Currlin, the Board of Education unanimously voted to go into executive session to interview the Korn School principal candidate.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Mrs. Adams, the Board of Education unanimously approved to hire Laurie Sinder as the principal of Korn School on Step 4 of the Administrators' salary step to start around September 1, 2005.

On a motion by Mr. Hicks, second Dr. Shoemaker, the Board of Education unanimously voted to adjourn.