

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
EASTON, REDDING, AND REGION 9 BOARDS OF EDUCATION
January 7, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Region #9 Board of Education: Lewis, Baker, Karvelis, Logie, Macchio, Neidenbach, Gombos
Redding Board of Education: Brey, Gaspar, Goldberg, Joyce-Kirk, Miller
Easton Board of Education: Dunsby
Administration: Cicchetti, Sullivan

The meeting was held in the John Read Middle School Community Room and chaired by Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis called the Region #9 Board of Education meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
Dr. Gaspar called the Redding Board of Education meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
The Easton Board of Education did not have a quorum present.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION: CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RACE TO THE TOP GRANT (RTTT)

Mr. Lewis introduced Dr. Cicchetti who provided an overview of the RTTT Grant being considered by the boards. Discussion followed. Concern was expressed about the costs vs. the benefits of the grant to the schools of Easton, Redding or Region #9. Specifically, Dr. Cicchetti reported that the RTTT grant could potentially award Easton \$13,179 (\$3,295 per year for 4 years), Redding \$16,375 (\$4,094 per year for 4 years), and Region #9 \$7,352 (\$1,838 per year for 4 years). There was concern about the administrative work, time and resources that would be needed for the grant application process as well as the compliance costs involved with the program. Dr. Cicchetti expressed concern regarding the level of rigor of the compliance standards in relation to the already high standards that are a part of the existing strategic plan for Easton, Redding and Region 9. Dr. Cicchetti indicated there would be another opportunity to participate in the RTTT grant in the spring.

Motion: move that the Region #9 Board of Education decline participation in the RTTT grant at this time. Gombos, Karvelis. Approved. Unanimous.

Motion: move that the Redding Board of Education decline participation in the RTTT grant at this time. Goldberg, Brey. Approved. Unanimous.

The Easton Board of Education did not have a quorum present.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: move to adjourn the Region #9 BOE meeting, Karvelis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

**Motion: move to recess the Redding BOE meeting. Goldberg, Brey. Approved.
Unanimous.**

The meeting was recessed at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Baker

Secretary, Region #9 Board of Education

Recorded by Mary Maday