

**South Shore Educational Collaborative
75 Abington Street, Hingham, MA 02043**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Friday, January 25, 2019**

Present:	Louise Demas	Cohasset
	Michael Devine	Hull
	Jeffrey Granatino	Marshfield
	Janet Sheehan	Milton (Assistant Superintendent)
	Matthew Keegan	Norwell
	Jennifer Curtis Whipple, Ed.D	Weymouth

SSEC: Richard L. Reino, Executive Director
 Patricia Mason, Director of Student Services

No votes were taken during this meeting, as a quorum was not present.

1. Board members reviewed the minutes from the December 7, 2018 meeting.
2. The financial summary and budget were discussed.
3. The FY20 budget was reviewed. Following discussion, board members recommend accepting a 2% tuition increase for member districts, a 4% tuition increase for non-member districts, plus alignment of the Quest tuition half way between the therapeutic high schools and the Community and Mini Schools, so that it will support staff needed for the program to operate successfully. These tuitions will be included in the March 8th FY 20 budget presentation.
4. SSEC would like to make an additional OPEB contribution in the amount of \$10,500. This will be voted on at the next board meeting.
5. Update on the South Shore High School program coordinator position. The position has been posted internally and on SchoolSpring. Candidates have until February 22nd to apply for this position, and interviews will be conducted in March.
6. Consistency in assessments across programs. At this time Community and Mini complete all assessments except for the psychological assessment. Quest, SSH and Careers do not complete assessments. The operating committee has requested that this be consistent across programs. The collaborative is addressing this issue and looking at trainings and acquiring the appropriate tools. This will occur over the next year. SSEC continues to have some ability to complete the psychological assessment through a contracted person, but at this time do not have the consistent ability to do this across the board.

7. On February 5, four mediators from DESE will come to the collaborative to receive a presentation and overview of all the programs. This will include a tour of the Hingham site. This was suggested at a regional special education DESE meeting.
8. 2019 extended school year calendar. This item, along with the 2019-2020 school year calendar, will be distributed at the March board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.