

## MEETING MINUTES

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Cape Elizabeth, Maine

A special meeting of the School Board was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at 6:00p.m. in the High School Library.

School Board members present were:

Elaine Moloney, Chair

Anne Belden

Patricia Brigham

Rebecca Millett

Kathy Ray

Kevin Sweeney

Linda Winker

Alan H. Hawkins, Superintendent of Schools

Others present: Pauline Aportria, Business Manager

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairperson Moloney.

Kevin Sweeney made a motion to enter executive session to discuss teacher negotiations as provided by 1 MRSA 405 (6)(D).

Linda Winker seconded. The motion was approved 7-0.

Kevin Sweeney made a motion to reenter public session. Rebecca Millett seconded. The motion was approved 7-0.

The business meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

School Board members present were:

Elaine Moloney, Chair

Anne Belden

Patricia Brigham

Rebecca Millett

Kathy Ray

Kevin Sweeney

Linda Winker

Alan H. Hawkins, Superintendent of Schools

Others present included: Steve Connolly, Tom Eismeier, Jeff Shedd, Claire LaBrie, Pauline Aportria, Sue Weatherbie, Sarah Simmonds, Mark Tinkham, a number of teachers

1. Consideration of revised budget amount for the 2006-07 School Budget

Superintendent Hawkins briefly introduced the documents distributed and asked Business Manager Pauline Aportria to go over them to clarify for the School Board.

The information distributed had the numbers from the School Board approved budget (6.9% Budget), the 3.4% budget presented by the Superintendent to meet the tax cap and information regarding the recommendations of Alan and the DLT for a revised budget to meet the 3.93% increase representing the Town Council approved budget amount of \$18,244,294.

There was a long discussion about what was reduced from the School Board approved budget, how decisions were made and the effects of the cuts on student education.

Kevin Sweeney made the following motion:

“I make a motion to approve the 2006-2007 school budget in the amount of \$18,244,294 of which \$2,676,879 is additional local funds which exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$1,440,844.94.

The School Board recommends \$2,676,879 for the following reasons:

The state’s funding model does not support all of the costs of the schools because it includes only those costs considered essential by the new state Essential Programs and Services (EPS) model.”

Kathy Ray seconded the motion. After a long discussion a vote was called. The motion was approved 7-0

## 2. Discussion of artificial turf proposal

There was a long discussion with regard to the artificial turf field proposal and all of its ramifications. At the end of the discussion, it was the consensus of the board that it supports the Kids Turf group’s continuation of pursuing the feasibility of this goal.

There being no further business, Kevin Sweeney made a motion to adjourn the business meeting. Trish Brigham seconded. The motion was approved 7-0.

The workshop on the Future Direction Plan immediately followed.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan H. Hawkins  
Superintendent of Schools

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