

NARRAGANSETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES OF BUDGET WORKSHOP HELD March 2, 2016

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The budget workshop was held on March 2, 2016, at the Narragansett Town Hall, 3rd floor, 25 Fifth Avenue, Narragansett, Rhode Island.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE: Ms. Tammy McNeiece, Chairperson; Ms. Diane Nobles, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Frank White, Clerk; Mr. Guy deWardener and Mr. Keith Ranaldi.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS ATTENDANCE: Ms. Katherine Sipala, Superintendent and Ms. Karen Hagan, Director of Finance and Administration; Mr. Roland Lambert, Director of Technology; Ms. Leslie Brow, Director of Student Services; Ms. Gail Dandurand, Principal, Narragansett Elementary School; Ms. Marianne Kirby, Principal, Narragansett Pier School; Mr. Daniel Warner, Principal, Narragansett High School; and Mr. Toby Gibbons, Assistant Principal, Narragansett High School.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McNeiece called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES of March 2, 2016 meeting.

MOTION: moved by Mr. Ranaldi, seconded by Mr. Frank White, to seal the minutes of the March 2, 2016 Executive Session.

MOTION PASSED: (5-0)

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES: No votes taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one spoke.

FISCAL 2017 BUDGET:

Curriculum: The Superintendent presented the Curriculum budget. The .5 Director of Curriculum for the 2016-2017 school year will be posted soon.

Student Services/Special Education: Ms. Leslie Brow presented the Special Education budget.

Technology: Mr. Roland Lambert, Director of Technology, explained his budget, the 1:1 device initiative, and his requests for additional monies. Several audience members questioned Mr. Lambert about long term rollout for technology. They asked him to assess the Technology needs for a long term plan and include those items in his budget as Technology is a very important tool in education.

Narragansett High School: Mr. Daniel Warner, Principal, Narragansett High School, presented the High School budget. Mr. Warner answered questions about the request for Marketing monies in his budget and if he felt that the requests were enough to sufficiently market the High School to potential students.

Narragansett Middle School: Ms. Marianne Kirby, Principal, Narragansett Elementary School, explained the ELA and math resources which student will enjoy in Fiscal 2017

Narragansett Elementary School: Ms. Gail Dandurand, Principal, Narragansett Elementary School Presented the NES budget and the many enriching activities that are available to students.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

March 7, 2016	Joint Town Council/School Capital Reserve Meeting at 5:30pm
March 9, 2016	Third Budget Workshop for School Committee at 6:00pm
March 16, 2016	Regular School Committee Meeting - Vote on Budget at 7:00pm
March 28, 2016	Public Hearing on School Budget at 7:30pm
April 4, 2016	Town Council Public Hearing on Proposed Town Budget at 8pm

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM.

MOTION PASSED (5-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White, Clerk