

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on March 1, 2006, at Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, to hear the Superintendent's proposed 2006-07 budget presentation. Board of Education Chair Robert Baranoff called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Members present: Jo Ferjak, Diane Stock, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Robert Baranoff, Richard Cabral, Mark Almeida, Daniel Cronin and Michael Trahan.

Members absent: Nancy Gorski, Mary Withington, and Douglas Stevenson.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala and Director of Finance and Operations Gary J. Shettle.

**Superintendent's Recommended 2006-07 Budget Presentation**

Mr. Mala presented the proposed 2006-07 budget. The total, \$32,865,907, represents an 8.38% increase over the 2005-06 budget. He noted that "real" increase is 4.55 percent, with the other 3.83 percent increase coming from costs associated with the new intermediate school. He reviewed all areas of the budget and noted the specifics of his budget request. He also noted that 94.49 percent of the budget is for nondiscretionary costs.

Mr. Mala reviewed the calendar of Budget Subcommittee meeting and invited all interested residents to attend the budget meetings which begin on March 6, at 7 p.m., in the lower Media Center. There will be a meeting on the budget with both towns' Boards of Selectmen and Finance on March 29, at 7 p.m., also in the lower Media Center. The annual budget hearing is scheduled for April 13, at 7 p.m., at Burr Elementary School. The annual meeting is scheduled for May 1, at 7 p.m., in the Haddam-Killingworth High School auditorium, and the referendum is scheduled for May 2 at the towns' voting locations.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Ms. Jacques-Purdy **SECONDED** the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date

**Approved as presented at the March 14, 2006, Board of Education meeting.**