

**ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2010**

The Enfield Board of Education held a Special Board meeting on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 in the All Purpose Room at Henry Barnard Elementary School located at 27 Shaker Road, Enfield, CT.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The workshop was called together by Greg Stokes at 7:30 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Greg Stokes
3. **FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT** Greg Stokes
4. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Judy Apruzzese-Desroches; Vincent Grady; Joyce Hall; Stacy Thurston; Peter Jonaitis; Tom Sirard; Donna Szewczak; Chuck Johnson and Greg Stokes

Also Present: John Gallacher, Superintendent; Tony Torre, Assistant Superintendent; and Chris Chemerka, Business Manager.

5. **FY10-11 BUDGET PRESENTATION PREPARATION FOR THE APRIL 21ST MEETING WITH TOWN COUNCIL AND THE APRIL 28TH PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Stokes stated Board members will discuss the budget presentation with the Town Council on Wednesday, April 21st to discuss our budget needs for FY10-11 and for the public presentation on Wednesday, April 28th at Fermi.

Chairman Stokes explained to new Board members we will meet with the Town Council about our needs and then the community will give their opinions on the School and Town budgets. The purpose of tonight's special meeting is for Board members to agree upon the presentation. Dr. Gallacher and Chris Chemerka have put together a power point presentation of 20 slides. Board members can make changes to any of these slides. This is our presentation.

Dr. Gallacher thanked Chris Chemerka for the presentation. We are still checking our numbers as you review each slide.

Ms. Chemerka stated this is a draft document at this time. They are still double checking numbers.

Board members were in agreement to keep slide number 1 as is.

Board members were in agreement to omit slide number 2.

Board members were in agreement that slide number 3 needs the years adjusted to reflect 2009-10 Adopted Budget and 2010-11 Proposed Budget.

Board members were in agreement to keep slide number 4 as is.

Board members were in agreement to reflect current budget costs on slide number 5.

Board members were in agreement to reduce the verbiage on slides 6 -12 to reflect smaller bullets. Chairman Stokes will elaborate on each bullet.

Board members were in agreement to omit slides 13-18.

Board members were in agreement to add slide 19 as a bullet to slide 12.

Board members were in agreement to omit slide 20.

Ms. Chemerka and Dr. Gallacher will make the changes and will forward the revised power point presentation to Board members for them to review. If any additional changes are needed, let Dr. Gallacher know. Chairman Stokes will sit down with Dr. Gallacher next week to work on talking points for the power point presentation to the Town Council on Wednesday, April 21st.

Mrs. Szewczak asked if Chairman Stokes was going to address staff cuts at this point. Chairman Stokes stated we do not know what cuts will be made at this time.

Mrs. Apruzzese-Desroches stated there is no substance behind our budget at this point, it is just a number.

Chairman Stokes stated Board member will lobby for a 1.24% budget.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Szewczak to adjourn the Special Meeting of April 14, 2010. All ayes, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting stood adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Joyce P. Hall
Secretary
Enfield Board of Education

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Zalucki, Recording Secretary