

**WALLINGFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
WITH TOWN COUNCIL
HUBCAP WALLINGFORD – 128 CENTER STREET
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015**

MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Special Operations Committee Meeting with the Town Council was called to order by Mrs. McKay at 5:45 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

J.P. Bolat, M. Brooder, J. Cei, K. Hlavac, R. McKay

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

S. Menzo, S. Parkhurst, C. Lavalette, L. Winters, R. Mancusi, K. Veilleux, S. Wong, M. Deptula, P. DeFilio

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

V. Cervoni, C. Fishbein, T. Laffin, J. LeTourneau, C. Mansfield, V. Testa

Mayor Dickinson was also present at the meeting.

DISCUSSION OF THE 2015/2016 BUDGET

Dr. Menzo and Mrs. McKay shared a PowerPoint presentation highlighting Proud Moments of the Wallingford Public School System. There were many student, administrator, teacher and parent accomplishments to be proud of.

From June 2014 through December 2014, Wallingford Public Schools received Community donations of \$145,995 and competitive grant awards of \$193,742.

Dr. Menzo stated that the Board of Education Budget Request for 2014/2015 was \$95,231,505. The approved budget from the Town Council was \$93,802,605. The Board of Education was able to sustain all services, reallocate staff to create Curriculum Coordinator positions, utilize grant funding to implement math coaches, establish the 1% account, fund technology and maintenance projects.

The focus areas for the 2015/2016 Board of Education Budget are:

Full-Day Kindergarten - \$304,500
Expanded Preschool - \$117,000
English Language Learners - \$148,000
Certified Nursing Assistant Program - \$104,000
District Guidance Coordinator - \$137,300
Technology Support Staff - \$124,000
Wellness Curriculum Resource Teacher - \$74,000
Maintenance Staffing - \$173,000

The total Board of Education Budget Request for 2015/2016 is \$98,382,554 which is a 4.88% increase over the current budget.

Enrollment this year, 2014/2015, is 6,069 and for next year, 2015/2016, enrollment is projected to be 6,093 which is an additional 24 students.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. McKay adjourned the Operations Committee Meeting at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia DeFilio