

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
December 6, 2010

Special Meeting

1. Call to order. The LVIII, 8<sup>th</sup> 1138<sup>th</sup> meeting, held in the Wamogo Regional School Gymnasium, was called to order at 7: 04 p.m. by Mr. Tanner, Chairman.

Board members present: Mr. Barrett, Ms. Fedewa, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Coutu, Mr. Brady, Mr. Larson, Ms. Jerrykitz and Mr. Tanner. Absent: Ms. Coe. Also present: Mr. Drezek, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Drapp, Business Manager and Mr. Weik Principal, James Morris School.

2. Discussion and direction of the Regional School District No. 6 budget for 2011-2012 with the members of the Boards of Selectmen and the Boards of finance of Warren, Morris and Goshen.

Mr. Tanner welcomed the district citizens to the meeting. He noted that the Board would like to engage in the spirit of communication regarding the proposed budget. The Board wants to give the district citizens an idea of what is proposed. The Board also would like to know the thoughts of the district citizens regarding the budget and if they wish to add or subtract items regarding the budget.

At this time Mr. Drapp took over and went over the proposed figures of the budget. He noted that the Board continues to look for savings regarding the budget. This is sought re teachers' salaries as well. He noted that an agreement with the teachers and administration is now in place. Also, the administration is trying to carry forward this year's budget, and have discussed compensation and liabilities for next year's budget. He also went over what some of the variables might be in the budget. He noted that nothing more would be added to the proposed budget than what is seen at this point.

A question was asked about State funding. Answer: it is the same as last year. Another question was asked about negotiations for teachers' salaries, and what is the year schedule for negotiations for salaries. These questions were answered.

Question: Is teachers' pay up to that of other schools?

Mr. Drapp noted that this is being kept up to that of other schools.

Question: What is the amount of funds in the Capital Funds account? This question was answered by Mr. Drapp.

Mr. Drezek noted that he is glad to have the budget increase only 6% from last year's budget figures. He noted that any decisions regarding the budget have an impact on all three towns in Region 6. He noted that the Administration has to listen to the concerns and thoughts of the district citizens.

There was discussion regarding class size and the teachers involved.

Mr. Drezek noted that Region 6 was 31<sup>st</sup> on the statewide list regarding cost per student.

Mr. Drapp noted some items where costs might be reduced, but are really not too significant to the budget. He noted that health insurance is one item that continually goes up, as well as some of the other items addressed in putting together the budget.

He stated that there is nothing new in the proposed budget regarding salaries.

Mr. Drezek noted that he would like to hear any suggestions or thoughts regarding the proposed budget from the district citizens in Region 6.

Mr. Tanner noted that the Board of Education and members of the administration appreciated the district citizens coming out to this meeting.

3. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before this meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn W. Birkett, Clerk  
Board of Education