

## Brunswick School Board

### MINUTES

Special Meeting on Budget  
Thursday, April 11, 2013  
Brunswick Station  
16 Station Avenue  
Room 217

School Board Members Present: James Grant, Chair; Michele Joyce, Vice Chair; Brenda Clough; Janet Connors; Richard Ellis; Christopher McCarthy; Corinne Perreault; Joy Prescott; William Thompson; Isabella Jorgensen, Student Liaison

School Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Paul Perzanoski, Superintendent; Gregory Bartlett, Assistant Superintendent; Paul Austin, Director of Student Services; Susan Woodhams, Director of Technology Integration; Art Abelmann, Principal of Brunswick High School; Walter Wallace, Principal of Brunswick Junior High School; Jean Skorapa, Principal of H.B. Stowe School; Steve Ciembroniewicz, Principal of Coffin School

Guests: Teresa Gillis, Matthea Daughtry, Vladimir Douhovnikoff, Sarah Singer, members of the press

### Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Mr. Grant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a roll call.

### Adjustments to the Agenda

None

### 36. Budget Overview

Mr. Perzanoski went over the proposed budget figures and pointed out he had found savings in the following areas: supplies, facilities, strategic planning, personnel retirements, equipment and technology. He said the Board is scheduled to present the school budget to the Town Council on April 25. A public hearing on the Town budget is scheduled for May 6.

### 37. Discussion Opportunity

Representative Daughtry updated the Board on proposed legislative changes for funding charter schools.

Board members discussed several budget items and in general spoke in favor of including Priority 1 items and Priority 2 items. After further discussion Ms. Joyce suggested moving forward with the bottom line amount and fund all of Priority 1 items, and add in the amount to try to fund Priority 2 items, meaning a 6.65% increase in the budget overall.

38. Consideration of a Budget Request for the School Department Operating Budget for 2013-2014

Motion: Joyce


Second: Connors

Vote: 8-1 (Thompson opposed)

Approve a request of \$35,721,613 for the local school operating budget for the year July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014, and forward this request to the Brunswick Town Council.

**Adjournment**

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

  
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Paul K. Perzanoski, Secretary  
Brunswick School Board