

STONINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 13, 2006

Mr. Bolduc, chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room. Members present were John Bolduc, Sam Agnello, Rob Cary, Ed Haberek, Gail MacDonald, and April Smith.

Member absent was Corinne Rossi.

Also present were Michael McKee, Superintendent, Rita Castodio, Recording Secretary, members of the staff, and interested citizens.

Comment from Citizens

Natalie Lucy, Michele Wilbur and members of the cheerleading squad urged the Board to retain the Cheerleading Program at Stonington High School.

Barbara Rutchic, SHS Library Paraprofessional, Sharon Mueller, SHS Librarian, and Karen Chapman, MMS Librarian, urged the Board to maintain the current library paraprofessionals in the schools.

Stephen Bessette, Member of the Board of Finance, thanked the Board for the budget process and the parents for getting out the votes to pass the budget.

Consideration of 2006-2007 Budget Reductions

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by Rob Cary:

- **Motion 1: To accept the 2006-2007 budget adjustments as stated at the June 1, 2006 meeting.**

Aye: All

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by Rob Cary:

- **Motion 2: To cut \$6,760, the coaching salary of the cheerleading program.**

The vote was as follows:

Sam Agnello – Yes

Ed Haberek – No

John Bolduc – Yes

April Smith – No

Rob Cary – Yes

Gail MacDonald – No

Motion failed.

The following motion was made by Gail MacDonald and seconded by April Smith:

- **Motion 3: To accept the superintendent's recommendation for consideration for District Athletic Director/Assistant Athletic Director for a savings of \$5,972.**

The vote was as follows:

Sam Agnello – No

Ed Haberek – Yes

John Bolduc – No

April Smith – Yes

Rob Cary – No

Gail MacDonald – Yes

Motion failed.

The following motion was made by Gail MacDonald and seconded by April Smith:

- **Motion 4: Try to reach a zero amount by instituting Pay-to-Park and check with the Board of Finance to see if it is feasible as soon as possible.**

The vote was as follows:

Sam Agnello – No

Ed Haberek – Yes

John Bolduc – No

April Smith – Yes

Rob Cary – No

Gail MacDonald – Yes

Motion failed.

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by Rob Cary:

- **Motion 5: To recess at 9:10 p.m.**

Aye: All

The meeting resumed at 9:22 p.m.

The following motion was made by Gail MacDonald and seconded by April Smith:

- **Motion 6: To reduce the 512 Account as follows:
Reduce SHS non-athletic field trips by \$2,500 and the parents pay 1/2 of the cost of elementary and middle school field trips by \$4,743.**

- **Motion 7: Amendment to Motion 6 as follows:**

To arrive at the budget cut of \$7,056 by accepting the recommended consideration for District Athletic Director/Assistant Athletic Director in the amount of \$5,972, and by reducing the non-athletic field trips by \$1,084.

Aye: All

The following motion was made by Gail MacDonald and seconded by Rob Cary.

- **Motion 8: To adjourn at 9:45 p.m.**

Aye: All

April Smith, Board Secretary