

**MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 16  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES OF DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING**

**DATE:** APRIL 29, 2008  
**PLACE:** HALL-DALE HIGH SCHOOL THEATER, FARMINGDALE, MAINE  
**TIME:** 7:00 PM (EDT) – DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Michaela Loisel, Vice-Chair Linda Leet,  
Director Laura Harper, Director Jon Lambert,  
Director Pam Longfellow and Director Dan Shagoury

**ALSO PRESENT:** Donald Siviski, Secretary [Superintendent of Schools]  
Gordon Murray, Director of Buildings and Grounds  
John Armentrout, Director Information and Technology  
Vicki Raymond, Business Manager  
Approximately 36 residents of the communities

**I. Superintendent of Schools**

- Open meeting
- Read Return of Service of the Warrant

Superintendent Siviski called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and read the Return of Service of the Warrant.

**ARTICLE I**

To Choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

Superintendent Siviski called for nominations for Moderator. Director Michaela Loisel **moved** the name of Scott Clark. Director Dan Shagoury **seconded** the nomination, **voted in favor unanimously**.

The Oath of Office was administrated to Scott Clark as Moderator and documents were signed.

Moderator Clark outlined the voting procedures for the meeting and announced that the Maine Moderator's Manual would serve as a reference for rules and procedures.

George Lapointe **moved** the adoption of the Moderator's and the State of Maine laws related to public schools. Director Linda Leet **seconded, voted in favor unanimously**.

While Moderator Clark administered the Oath of Office to the Ballot Clerks and signed documents, Superintendent Siviski reviewed the fourteen articles on the warrant and highlighted areas in the budget which generated increases and decreases.

## **ARTICLE II**

Moderator Clark presented Article II.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend from Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 Instruction.

Board of Directors Recommends \$5,392,250

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

## **ARTICLE III**

Moderator Clark presented Article III.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Instructional Support.

Board of Directors Recommends \$1,138,547.

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

## **ARTICLE IV**

Moderator Clark presented Article IV.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Leadership.

Board of Directors Recommends \$969,253.

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

## **ARTICLE V**

Moderator Clark presented Article V.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Operations.

Board of Directors Recommends \$1,060,714.

The Article was **moved** by Director Jon Lambert. The Article was **seconded** by Director Dan Shagoury. **The vote was unanimous.**

## **ARTICLE VI**

Moderator Clark presented Article VI.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation.

Board of Directors Recommends \$459,108.

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

**ARTICLE VII**

Moderator Clark presented Article VII.

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Commitments.  
Board of Directors Recommends \$1,401,838.

The Article was **moved** by Director Jon Lambert. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

**ARTICLE VIII**

Moderator Clark presented Article VIII.

To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the District will raise and assess as each municipality’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15688.  
Recommended amounts set forth below:

Total appropriated (by municipality):		Total raised (and district assessments by municipality):	
Town of Farmingdale:	\$ 4,674,599	Town of Farmingdale:	\$ 1,069,943
City of Hallowell:	\$ 2,710,234	City of Hallowell:	\$ 1,221,902
School District Total Appropriated:	\$ 7,384,833	School District Total Raised:	\$ 2,291,845

Board of Directors Recommends a “YES” vote.

*Explanation: The District’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount the District must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Linda Leet. **The vote was unanimous.**

**ARTICLE IX**

Moderator Clark presented Article IX.

To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the District voters for non-state funded school construction projects, non-state funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the District’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.  
Board of Directors Recommends \$341,557.

*Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the District's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters of the District.*

The Article was **moved** by George Lapointe. The Article was **seconded** by Director Jon Lambert. **The vote was unanimous.**

## **ARTICLE X**

Moderator Clark presented Article X.

(Written Ballot Required). To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$913,370), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (Recommend \$757,108) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Board of Directors.

The Board of School Directors recommends \$913,370 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$757,108: This amount is needed to cover costs of District schools that the state's funding model does not recognize including the following: 1) costs of maintaining student-teacher ratios, 2) costs of special education programming, 3) costs of extra-curricular and co-curricular programs, and 4) transportation costs.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state-funded school debt service that will help achieve the District budget for educational programs.*

The Article was **moved** by Director Jon Lambert. The Article was **seconded** by George Lapointe.

Moderator Clark explained the written ballot voting process and called for a vote. Citizens responded by voting "Yes" or "No" to Article X on written ballot and were so validated as a registered voter by the Ballot Clerks from each town. The Moderator verified the integrity of the Ballot Boxes, the registration process and vote tabulation. He directed a signed attested copy of the tally and placed all ballots in a sealed container. Moderator Clark announced that the Article was **voted in favor 31 Yes and 5 No.**

## **ARTICLE XI**

Moderator Clark presented Article XI.

To see what sum the District will authorize the Board of Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

Board of Directors Recommends \$10,421,710.

The Article was **moved** by Director Jon Lambert. The Article was **seconded** by George Lapointe. **The vote was unanimous.**

**ARTICLE XII**

Moderator Clark presented Article XII.

Shall Maine School Administrative District No. 16 appropriate \$66,940 for Adult Education and authorize the expenditure of additional funds raised through grants or self-funded programs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009, and shall the District raise \$28,609 as the local share?

The Board of School Directors recommends a “YES” vote.

The Article was **moved** by Deb Large. The Article was **seconded** by Director Jon Lambert. **The vote was in favor 34-2.**

**ARTICLE XIII**

Moderator Clark presented Article XIII.

To see what sum the District will authorize the Board of Directors to expend in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 from the reserve already established for the purpose of Debt Service and Capital Improvements.

Board of Directors Recommends \$100,000.

The Article was **moved** by Elizabeth Davis. The Article was **seconded** by Director Jon Lambert. **The vote was unanimous.**

**ARTICLE XIV**

Moderator Clark presented Article VIX.

In addition to the amounts authorized under Articles 2 through 13, shall the District authorize the Board of Directors to expend any state, federal and other grants, aid and receipts during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009, for school purposes and adult education, provided that such grants, aid and receipts do not require expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated?

Board of Directors Recommends approval.

The Article was **moved** by Director Jon Lambert. The Article was **seconded** by George Lapointe. **The vote was unanimous.**

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

The Moderator called for adjournment. George Lapointe **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Director Linda Leet **seconded** the motion, **voted in favor unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald L. Siviski  
Superintendent of Schools  
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