

**BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MINUTES
CHENERY MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY ROOM
JANUARY 26, 2010**

Present: Ms. Ann Rittenburg, Chair
Ms. Leslie Walker, Secretary
Ms. Laurie Graham
Ms. Becky Vose
Ms. Karen Parmett
Mr. Paul Roberts joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Dr. George H. Entwistle 3rd, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Gerry Missal, Director of Finance and Administration
Ms. Julie Silverman, Human Resource Manager

1. OPENING BUSINESS

1.1 Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Rittenburg at 7:01 p.m. in the Chenery Middle School Small Community Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion offered by Ms. Vose and seconded by Ms. Graham, it was

VOTED: 5 – 0 on a roll call vote to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining. The Committee stated its intent to return to open session. Note: Mr. Roberts was not present for the executive session.

At 7:32 p.m. Ms. Vose moved that the Committee return to open session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Parmett.

2. Update on Development of the FY11 Budget

Dr. Missal reported that the FY11 level-service budget is complete, enumerated the major factors driving the budget, and noted that it reflects a roughly 10.5% increase over the FY10 level-service budget as well as a roughly \$4 million dollar deficit.

Dr. Missal provided an update of the FY11 budget development calendar.

Dr. Entwistle presented updates of progress and process on the development of the Leadership Council's Recommended FY11 budget.

Dr. Missal updated the Committee on the status of the Capital Budget Requests for FY11, providing information in response to questions raised during the Committee's initial review of the requests in their January 12th meeting. The Committee will receive a revised list of Capital Budget Requests, on which they may take action, at their next business meeting.

3 Update on Substation Discussion

Dr. Entwistle reported on recent discussions that have been held to explore the possible option of siting the Belmont Municipal Light Department's proposed substation on a portion of the BHS campus. He noted that he will continue to keep the Committee apprised of discussions and developments relating to this matter.

4. Wellington Update

Dr. Entwistle reported on a framework he has been developing for communicating information to staff, parents, students, and the community about the measures that have been taken to ensure the health, safety and security of the Wellington modulars.

5. Work Sessions for ROI Teams

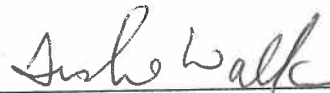
The School Committee spent time engaged in work on the return on investment reviews for which they have taken responsibility.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:30 p.m., on a motion offered by Ms. Walker and seconded by Ms. Vose, it was

VOTED: unanimously 6-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by



Leslie Walker
Secretary