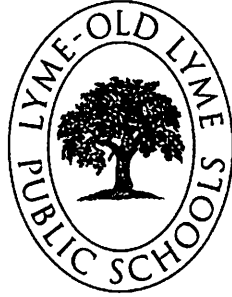


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Special Board of Education Meeting

Lyme-Old Lyme High School

February 3, 2016

Board Present: Michelle Roche, Chairwoman; Jean Wilczynski, Treasurer; Rick Goulding, Secretary; Diane Linderman; Nancy Lucas Edson; Mary Powell St. Louis; Stacy Winchell

Absent by Previous Arrangement: Erick Cushman; Beth Jones

Administration Present: Ian Neviaser, Superintendent of Schools; Elizabeth Borden, Director of Curriculum; Nancy Johnston, Director of Special Services; Holly McCalla, Business Manager; John Rhodes, Director of Facilities & Technology; James Wygonik, Principal of Lyme-Old Lyme High School

Others Present: Gabe Barclay, High School Student Representative; Mary Jo Nosal, Old Lyme Selectwoman; Adam Burrows, Old Lyme Board of Finance

The meeting was called to order by Chair Michelle Roche at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Public Forum on the proposed 2016-2017 budget. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A PowerPoint presentation was given on the 2016-2017 budget by Superintendent Neviaser which reflected a proposed budget figure of \$33,470,376, a 2.84% increase from the current year's budget. Reporting highlights included: goals to be served by the budget; graphic depiction of areas to be served by the budget; budget drivers; enrollment projections; program inclusion and improvements; and upcoming facilities projects. A copy of this presentation is attached to these minutes for informational purposes.

The meeting was opened up for questions and comments from the public.

Adam Burrows asked that a breakdown of each town's cost share of the education budget appear in future presentations on the budget. Mr. Neviaser explained that these numbers are based on an average of the October and April enrollments but that they could provide estimates at this point in time.

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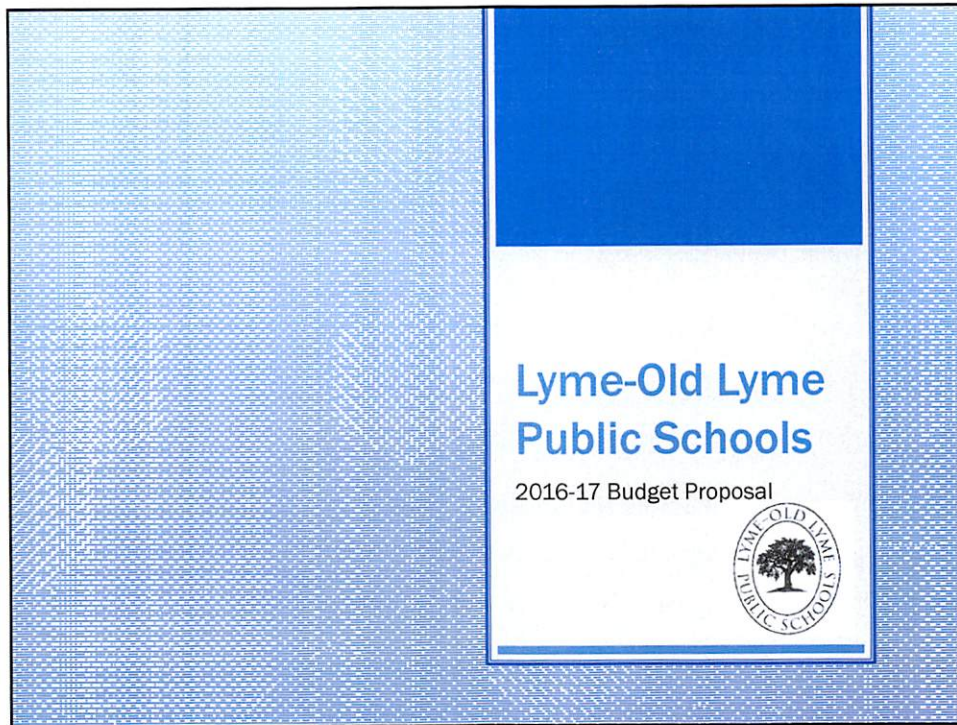
Mary Jo Nosal commended the Board and Administration for their budget presentations which made it easier for her to communicate the budget to the other selectmen. She also commended all involved in their efforts in managing costs and budgeting for the decision packages that will be beneficial to the district.

Adam Burrows asked that the school district keep the town in mind when going out to bid on items such as LED lighting as he believed there are savings when towns and schools cooperate on joint purchases. He also commended the Board and Administration on the budget development.

There being no further comments or questions, the special meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m. upon motion by Dr. Goulding and a second by Mrs. Linderman.

Respectfully submitted,

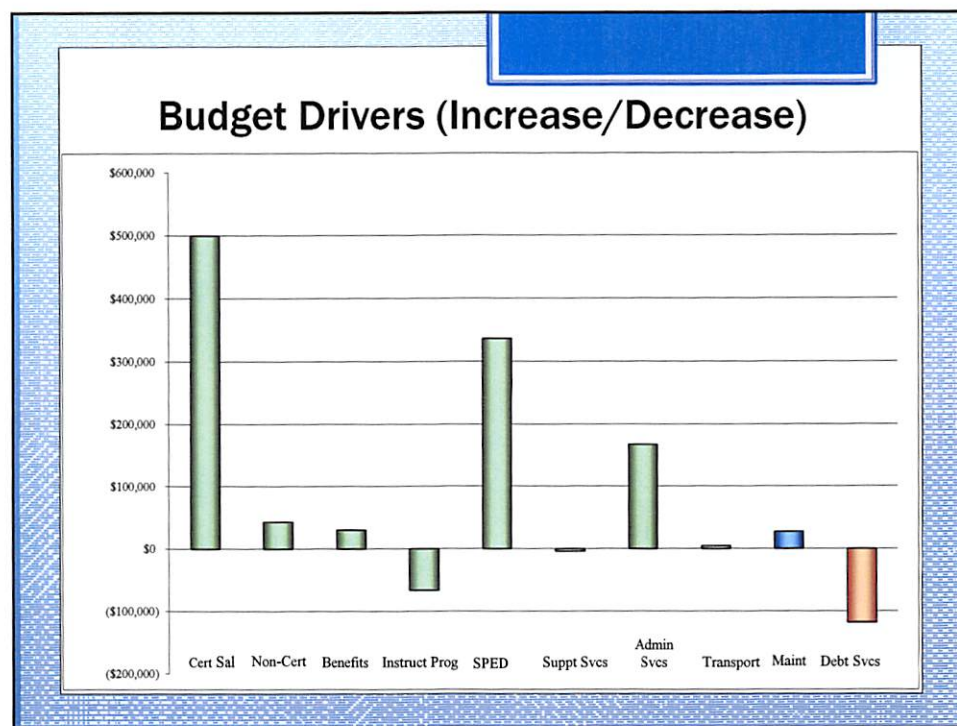
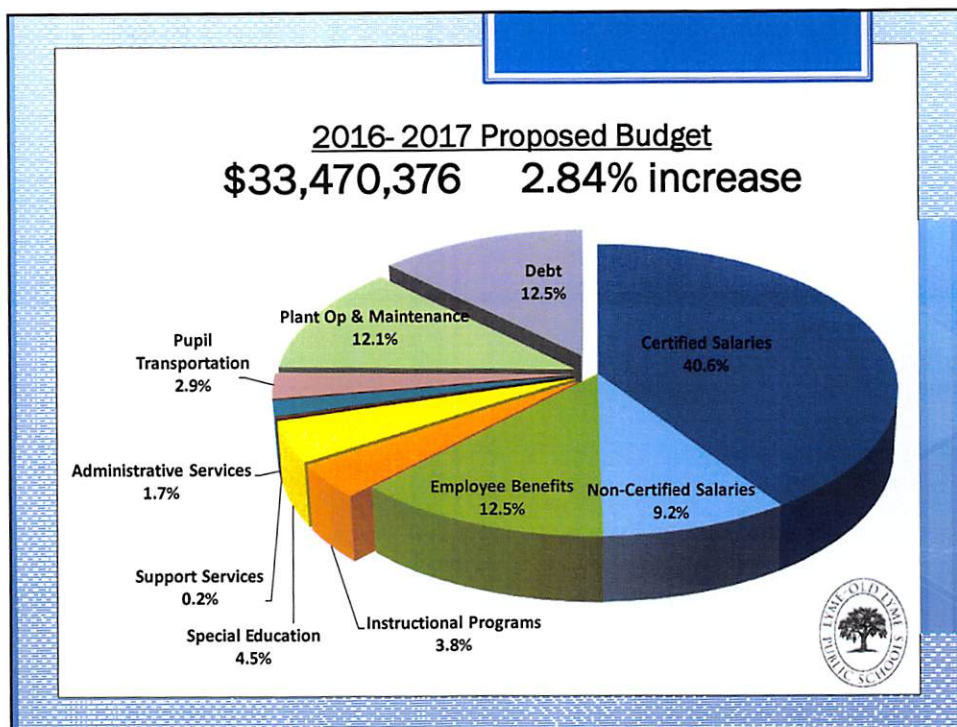
Rick Goulding, Secretary



Goals to be Served by the 2016-2017 Budget

To support the objectives outlined in the Strategic Plan by:

- Preserving and building upon the high standards of education in LOL while remaining fiscally responsible to our communities.
- Supporting the ongoing renewal of curriculum, instruction, assessment, and staff development activities in response to the expectations of the CCSS.
- Continuing to plan and provide technology infrastructure and applications that are consistent with highly effective and efficient programming and operational standards.
- Maintaining high facility standards for all District buildings and grounds.
- Maintaining a dynamic and responsive approach to programming needs and mandates in special education.
- Maintaining both compliance and reasonability in response to state and federal mandates.



Enrollment

Level	2013	2014	2015	2016 Projected* (Roll-ups)
Elementary	611	564	517	476* (478)
Middle	364	351	351	327* (325)
High	430	435	462	482* (489)
TOTAL	1405 (-40)	1350 (-55)	1330 (-20)	1285* (-45*) (1292) (-33)



The operations/program budget reflects:

- Continued adherence to class size guidelines
- Reduction of staff to account for enrollment decline
- Continuance of existing academic and extracurricular activities
- Adjustments for anticipated changes in the special education population
- Adequate funding for maintenance and repair of buildings and grounds
- Scheduled replacement of technology and equipment
- Program improvements that are consistent with high academic and operational standards



Program Improvements:

- Increased English staffing at LOLHS
- Learning Management System for grades 6-12
- 1:1 computer model for grades 6-12
- Expansion of School to Career program



Facilities Projects:

- Complete HVAC control upgrades at Lyme Consolidated, Mile Creek, and Center School
- Install LED lighting at Lyme Consolidated, Mile Creek, Center, and Middle School
- Add/Refurbish Mile Creek and Lyme Consolidated casework
- Install additional High School security cameras
- Replace main campus fuel oil tank
- Pave Lyme Consolidated outdoor classroom





What's next?

- Opportunity for public comment
- Board action on the proposed budget

