

**SHELTER ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**WORK SESSSION  
BUDGET MEETING**  
April 14, 2010

Members Present: Rebecca Mundy, Thomas Graffagnino, Mark Kanarvogel, Kenneth Lewis, Jr., Stephen Gessner, Linda Eklund, Kathleen Reilly

Members Absent: Gina Giambruno, Student Liaison

Others Present: Superintendent, Sharon Clifford; Assistant Superintendent, Donna Guiffre; District Clerk, Deborah Vecchio; School District Business Leader, Sam Schneider; Ted Hills from the Shelter Island Reporter; 3 faculty/staff/students; 0 community members

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by President Mundy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Call To Order

Before discussion of the budget, the Board of Education had one item of business.

A motion was made by Linda Eklund, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Donna Guiffre, Assistant Superintendent, effective June 30, 2010, with regrets. Resignation of  
Donna Guiffre,  
Assistant  
Superintendent  
Motion carried unanimously

Ms. Rebecca Mundy stated that the Board appreciated the time Ms. Guiffre has spent in the district and that she will be staying with the district until the end of the school year allowing the Board of Education to mentor into the next phase.

**Presentation –**

Presentation

The topics for tonight's agenda include Estimated Fund Balance, Budget Review, Recommended Reductions, and Estimated Tax Levy.

Mr. Sam Schneider presented Fund Balance to the Board. Fund Balance is money held by the district for a variety of reasons, including funding reserves and Appropriated Fund Balance. Appropriated Fund Balance is a source of revenue that is used to lower the levy and Unappropriated Fund Balance is a reserve fund for emergency and changed situations. Mr. Schneider also discussed Fund Balance options with the Board such as

completing several projects that are health/safety issues and a plan to create a new capital reserve funded with excess fund balance in May 2011. The new capital reserve would address a list of “must do” projects that the district architect would like done. Our existing capital reserve will be ending. Mr. Graffagnino noted that a significant amount of money in the current capital reserve has been used to date.

Presentation  
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Mr. Schneider presented the Board with two versions of recommended reductions and the proposed general fund expenditure budget & estimated tax levy for each version. At workshop #7, the proposed general fund expenditure budget was \$9,796,597, which is a 2.79% Budget to Budget Increase. Under Version A, recommended reductions include a special education contingency, charter school contingency, additional tablets, extra curricular items, auditorium door, a reduction in the salary line of the Assistant Superintendent position, and new copiers, sub-totaling \$239,348. Under Version B, the recommended reductions include a special education contingency, a charter school contingency, library books, Arts-in-Ed, additional tablets, extra curricular items, Tax Anticipation Note, auditorium door, and new copiers, sub-totaling \$208,348. After discussion by the Board of Education, Version A was recommended. The Board added the Tax Anticipation Note Interest from Version B to Version A. The new sub-total of reductions is \$248,348.

Mr. Stephen Gessner gave thanks and appreciation to Ms. Rebecca Mundy for this solution and getting to this point. Ms. Mundy also thanked the Administration and Business Office for all of their effort.

A motion was made by Kenneth Lewis, Jr., seconded by Kathleen Reilly, to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment

Motion carried unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Deborah Vecchio  
District Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District is Monday, April 19, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.