

Timberlane Regional School District Budget Committee
Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown

Timberlane Budget Meeting
February 4, 2010
Immediately following the Deliberative Session

Timberlane Performing Arts Center
Plaistow, NH

Mr. Balanoff opened the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Present: Mr. Balanoff, Mr. Mascola, Mrs. O'Neil, Mr. Mullen, Ms. Rochford, Mr. Murray and Mr. Dhaliwal.

Absent: Mrs. Copp.

Mrs. O'Neil made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Rochford to accept the minutes of January 19, 2010 as presented.

Vote: Unanimous.

The Committee reviewed the Deliberative Session and agreed no action was needed.

Mr. Mullen made a motion to begin recording the Budget Committee meetings starting with the March 25, 2010 Organizational Meeting. Mrs. O'Neil seconded the motion to open it for discussion. Mr. Mullen volunteered to tape the meetings at his expense. Some of the other committee members were uncomfortable that one individual would take on that responsibility and it was agreed that it should be done the same way the School Board meetings are recorded and replayed on the Ten network. Mr. Mascola was asked to request from the School Board the permission to tape and replay the Budget Committee meetings on the Ten network. The March 25, 2010 agenda will include a revisit of the topic to see what information such as costs etc, and what the School Board's response is to the committee's request. Mr. Mullen stated that even if the District isn't taping the meetings, he plans to do so as of the next meeting, so he can have them available on his website. Vote was taken on Mr. Mullen's original motion. One voted in favor of taping the meetings beginning March 25, 2010 and six against. The motion failed.

Mr. Mullen made a motion to form a sub-committee to review the Budget Committee By-Laws between the months of April and September. He reminded the committee this is his third attempt at getting the Budget Committee By-Laws reviewed. Ms. Rochford asked if the subcommittee would have the power to change the By-Laws? It was agreed that any recommended changes to the By-Laws from a sub-committee would need to be voted on by the Budget Committee. Mrs. O'Neil suggested delaying this discussion until the next meeting, since the March election is coming up and there will be a few new people elected to the committee.

Mr. Mascola left to attend the School Board meeting at 9:13pm

Ms. Rochford suggested that new members may be the perfect people to review the By-Laws to help get them up to speed. Or, she continued, perhaps the entire Budget Committee would prefer to review the By-Laws instead of forming a subcommittee.

It was agreed that the review of the By-Laws be put on the next agenda. No vote was taken since there was no second to the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathy Smith

Recording Clerk

Approved 03/25/2010