

**Barnet School Board Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 4, 2016
Barnet School**

Members in Attendance: Louis Bushey, Sue Roberts, Jim Schenck, David Warden; Principal Shawn Gonyaw, Business Manager Pat Amsden; Sue Jensen, Cathy Browne

6:35 pm The meeting was called to order by Chair Louis Bushey.

FY2016/17 Budget Presentation

Pat Amsden presented the proposed budget. Principal Gonyaw discussed possible cuts that could be made to reduce the budget and stay below the State’s cap. Board members asked that line items be made more specific. The warning for the annual school district meeting was reviewed. The surplus from last year was discussed; that amount was supposed to go toward paying off the bond. This was done. Any remaining amount was to go into the long term maintenance fund. There was no indication that had been done. However, it was decided that some of the surplus had gone towards paying off the boiler. Pat said she would research this further. The roof project was discussed. If funding for that is put into the budget, the cap would be exceeded and the penalty charged. There was discussion on doing the roof project this fiscal year, using the projected surplus and perhaps some of the Edsen funds. There was discussion on setting aside funds for tuition; this would also be penalized. It was decided not to set aside fund for this. The only warning needed would be for the budget.

A motion was made by David Warden and seconded by Jim Schenck to ignore the list of cuts presented by Principal Gonyaw. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion. **Approved**

The Facilities Committee is meeting on January 7th. David asked that approval of the budget be done after that meeting. However, it was decided that any decisions made by the committee would not affect the budget enough to warrant waiting. A motion was made by Jim Schenck and seconded by Sue Roberts to accept the FY2016/17 budget of \$5,046,333 as presented. The motion passed with two votes for and one against. **Approved**

Executive Session

A motion was made by Jim Schenck and seconded by Sue Roberts to enter Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously and Executive Session began at 7:55 p.m. **Approved**

A motion was made by Sue Roberts and seconded by Jim Schenck to exit Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously and Executive Session ended at 8:02 p.m. **Approved**

A motion was made by David Warden and seconded by Sue Roberts to approve payment of the tuition for the balance of the 2015/2016 school year. The motion passed unanimously with no further discussion. **Approved**

Adjournment

A motion was made by David Warden and seconded by Sue Roberts to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with no discussion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Roberts, Louis Bushey, and Ellen Hinman, Meeting Recorders