

**Milford Board of Education**

Workshop Minutes  
January 16, 2014

**Board members present:**

Tracy Casey  
Michael DeGrego  
John DeRosa  
Suzanne DiBiase  
Laura Fucci  
Dr. Heidi Gold-Dworkin  
Susan Glennon, Chair  
Anthony Piselli  
Earl Whiskeyman

**Administration present:**

Dr. Elizabeth Feser  
Michael Cummings  
James Richetelli  
Susan Kelleher  
Wendy Kopazna

**Board members absent:**

Christopher Saley (Work conflict)

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Glennon called the Budget Workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. She reported Mr. Saley was absent due to a work conflict. She then suggested the Board continue to discuss the questions and the responses provided by administration unless Board members would prefer to go through the detailed account pages. The consensus of the Board was to continue the review of the questions and answers.

Ms. Glennon told the Board a recess will be taken at 8:15 p.m. so the videographer can change the tape.

**II. SUPERINTENDENT'S PROPOSED 2014-15 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Dr. Feser continued the budget discussion and began with question 20, letter d.

Ms. Glennon called for a recess at 8:10 p.m.

The meeting was called back into order at 8:20 p.m.

Following the budget discussion, Ms. Glennon informed the Board of the next step. The Board should be prepared to vote on the Budget on Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Some members felt they may need the workshop for more discussion. She further said that Thursday is being held for a snow date. However, it could be used for a vote if needed. Ms. Glennon will post the agenda for Wednesday with possible action.

Ms. Glennon then moved to Public Comment.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Jagodzinski - 27 Berkley Terrace – Mr. Jagodzinski criticized the budget recommendation and compared Milford to Shelton which spends less. He recommended a 0 increase for next year.

## Approved

Cathy Berni – 96 Centennial Drive –She asked if money had been put into the budget to accommodate a longer extended school year program since school will end earlier this year than last.

Diane Vergara – 55 Centennial Drive – She told the Board the elementary schools have teacher leaders. The secretaries have greeters. The students will be left with no one because the paraprofessionals are being cut.

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Fucci a motion to adjourn. Mr. Piselli seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Mrs. Pam Griffin  
Recording Secretary

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Ms. Laura Fucci  
Corresponding Secretary