

**Hopedale School Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of
Tuesday, May 23, 2017**

Members Present: Lori Hampsch, Chair
 Craig Adams, Vice Chair
 Lisa Alberto
 Grace Pool
 Kristen Poisson

Also Present: Karen M. Crebase, Superintendent
 Lynne Davis, School Accountant
 Brian Miller, Principal of Memorial Elementary School

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:10 pm in the Media Center at the Junior-Senior High School, 25 Adin Street, Hopedale, Massachusetts, with a quorum present. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct the duly advertised and posted annual public hearing.

Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2018 School Budget – The Superintendent reviewed the process by which the originally proposed budget was reduced to \$11,910,774, as recommended by the Finance Committee. The current budget reflects a 4.22% increase over the FY 2017 appropriated budget. There were no citizens in the audience who wished to address the Committee regarding the budget.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Pool which was seconded by Mr. Adams, the Committee unanimously approved the FY 2018 budget as presented in the amount of \$11,910,774.

Adjourn to Executive Session- The Chair noted the need to enter executive session for the purposes of reviewing executive session minutes and discussing strategy with regard to non-union personnel contract negotiations. Upon a motion by Mrs. Alberto and seconded by Mr. Adams, the members voted by roll call vote to enter executive session for the stated purposes, not to reconvene in public session: Mrs. Pool- yes; Mrs. Hampsch- yes; Mr. Adams – yes; Mrs. Poisson – yes; and Mrs. Alberto- yes. The Chair declared the public session adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne McGuane, Recording Secretary
APPROVED: June 6, 2017