

**REGULAR EXTENDED BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
HUNTINGTON U.F.S.D.**

March 26, 2012

The Regular Budget Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, March 26, 2012 at Jack Abrams School, Huntington Station, New York. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: Rogan, Paci, Black, Brown, Hebert, Spector; Superintendent Polansky, Dr. Card, Dr. Giani, Mr. Grackin and Mrs. Troffa. Mr. McGrath was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Rogan led the Board of Education and the others present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

Mrs. Rogan discussed the exits to be used in the event of an emergency.

SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mrs. Rogan announced that the Huntington Union Free School District is a smoke-free district and smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds. She also asked that all cell phones be turned off.

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Rogan indicated that this workshop is devoted solely to the budget discussion and all questions and comments should be specifically related to this topic. She also indicated that after the presentation and the Board's question and comment period, the public will have an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

2012-2013 Budget

Mr. Polansky indicated that a reduction of \$300,000 in assessed valuation was worked into the budget presentation for tonight as directed by the Board of Education at the last meeting.

Mr. Polansky discussed in detail the 2000 line, Curriculum and Instruction, and all the sub-categories, comparing 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and the proposed 2012-2013 budget:

- Curriculum Development and Supervision
- Adult Education
- In-Service Training/Instruction
- Teaching – Regular School

- Programs for Students with Disabilities
 - Special Education
 - Occupational Education
 - Special Schools
- School Library and Audiovisual
- Computer-Assisted Instruction
- Attendance
- Guidance Services
- Health Services
- Psychological Services
- Social Work Services
- Co-Curricular Activities
- Interscholastic Athletics

Mr. Polansky discussed instructional and non-instructional staffing changes for 2012-2013:

- Administrative staff
- Elementary staff
- Secondary staff
- Non-Instructional staff

Mr. Polansky indicated that the proposed staffing cuts would not affect program services.

Dr. Giani discussed staffing changes and cuts at the primary and intermediate level and how many sections there are in each building. He discussed enrollment and secondary staffing projections. Dr. Giani indicated that three contingent positions are worked into the budget in case they are needed. Discussion followed.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY – QUESTION AND ANSWER

Members of the community were given the opportunity to address the Board of Education or ask questions related to the budget. The *Question and Answer* period began at 8:45 PM and ended at 9:00 PM. Three people spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to adjourn the meeting.

At 9:00 PM the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk