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REGION #18

District Budget Hearing

Center School April 3, 2017

Board Present: Michelle Roche, Chairwoman; Jean Wilczynski, Treasurer; Diane Linderman; Nancy Lucas Edson; Mary Powell St. Louis

Absent by Previous Arrangement: Erick Cushman; Rick Goulding; Beth Jones; Stacy Winchell

Administration Present: Ian Neviaser, Superintendent of Schools; Michelle Dean, Principal of Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School; Melissa Dougherty, Director of Special Services; Holly McCalla, Business Manager; John Rhodes, Director of Facilities & Technology; James Wygonik, Principal of Lyme-Old Lyme High School

Others Present: Mary Jo Nosal, Old Lyme Selectwoman; 4 community members from Lyme-Old Lyme

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Chairwoman Michelle Roche.

Jean Wilczynski read the call of the meeting as follows:

Notice is hereby given that the Regional School Board for Regional School District No. 18 for the Towns of Lyme and Old Lyme will hold a public hearing on the budget request for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at Regional School District No. 18, Board of Education Conference Room at Center School, 49 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2017. All interested parties are invited to attend and present their comments or questions.

Mr. Neviaser gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 2017-2018 proposed budget. A copy of this presentation is attached to these minutes for informational purposes.

The meeting was opened up for questions and comments. There were no questions or comments.

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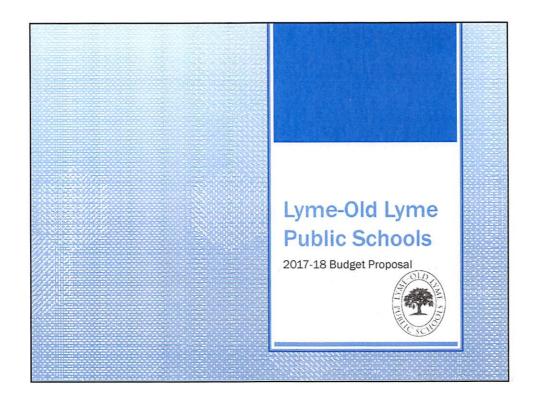
MOTION: Mrs. Wilczynski made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Linderman, that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, the vote on the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 will be held on the day following the annual budget meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in section 7-7 of the Statutes. The District Budget Meeting will be held on May 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room at Center School; the referendum will be held on May 2, 2017 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Cross Lane firehouse in Old Lyme and the Lyme Town Hall.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. upon motion by Mrs. Lucas Edson and a second by Dr. Powell St. Louis.

Respectfully submitted,

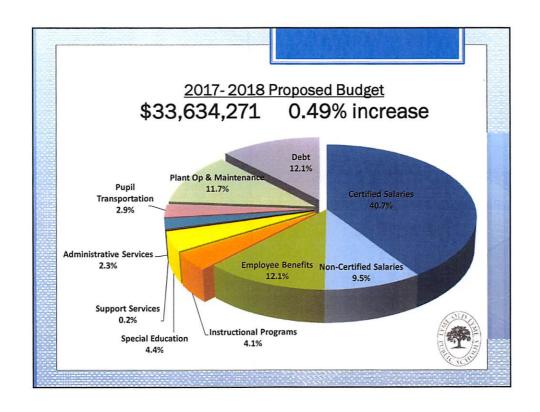
Jean Wilczynski, Secretary Pro Tem

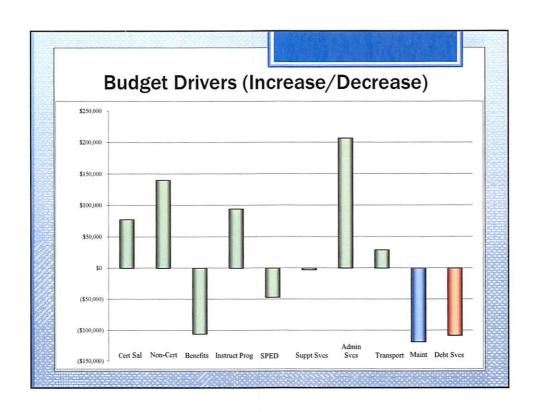


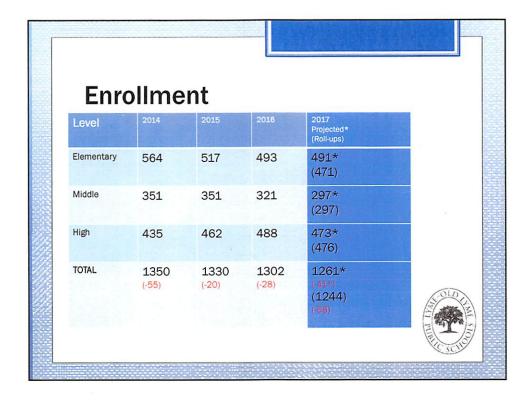
Goals to be Served by the 2017-2018 Budget

To support the objectives outlined in the Strategic Plan by:

- Preserving and building upon the high standards of education in LOL while remaining fiscally responsible to our communities
- Supporting the ongoing renewal of curriculum, instruction, assessment, and staff development activities in response to the expectations of state and national standards.
- Continuing to plan and provide technology infrastructure and applications that are consistent with highly effective and efficient programming and operational standards.
- Maintaining high facility standards for all district buildings and grounds.
- Maintaining a dynamic and responsive approach to programming needs and mandates in special education.
- Maintaining both compliance and reasonability in response to state and federal mandates.







The operations/program budget reflects:

- Continued adherence to class size guidelines
- o Reduction of staff to account for enrollment decline
- Continuance of existing academic and extracurricular activities
- Adjustments for anticipated changes in the special education population
- Adequate funding for maintenance and repair of buildings and grounds
- Scheduled replacement of technology and equipment
- Program improvements that are consistent with high academic and operational standards



Program Improvements:

- New/updated elementary math program
- Technology infrastructure advancements
- Replacement of staff computers
- Continued installation of Sound Field systems



Facilities Projects:

- Installation of window AC units at middle school and Lyme School
- Add main campus pathway lighting
- Increase the number of security cameras
- Install a concrete lacrosse practice wall
- Replace the fuel oil tank at Lyme School



