BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF:

July 23, 2009

1. Call to Order

Mr. Pierce called the meeting of the School Committee to order at 6:37 pm. Members present were Mr. Pierce, Ms. Bickford, Mr. Hafer, Ms. O'Gara, and Ms. Seibert. Also present were Mr. Coelho, Director of Finance, Dr. LaCroix, Superintendent, and Dr. Crimmin, Director of Curriculum.

2. FY 10 Budget

Discussed potential reductions for a total of \$137, 269 from the approved FY10 School Department budget. Action is needed to help balance the overall FY10 Town budget in the face of recent reductions in state and local revenue. Dr. LaCroix and Mr. Coelho presented recommended reductions:

\$50,229	Electricity Utilities
51,731	Heating/Gas Utilities
22,357	Custodial staffing at Davis School
12,952	Textbooks
25,000	Supplies (computer, library, text repair)
\$137,269	Total Reductions

See attached memo of July 22, 2009.

Moved: To approve a FY10 School Department budget of \$31,030, 492, based on reductions of \$137,269 in the categories of Utilities, Custodial staffing, Textbooks, and Supplies. (Ms. O'Gara).

Motion seconded (Mr. Hafer)

Motion approved: 5-0

3. Capital Article Balances

The Superintendent received information today from the Town Finance Department that unspent balances in capital articles of prior years on record are inconsistent with previous information. Updates are expected to be forthcoming.

4. Adjournment

Moved: to adjourn at 7:26 pm (Mr. Hafer).

Motion seconded (Ms. O'Gara)

Motion approved: 5-0 **Roll call vote:**

Ms. Bickford yes
Mr. Hafer yes
Ms. O'Gara yes
Mr. Pierce yes
Ms. Seibert yes

School Committee Secretary Date