

Bolton Board of Education
Special Meeting
January 30, 2014
Approved

The Bolton Board of Education held a Special Meeting on January 30, 2014 for the presentation of the Superintendent's proposed Board of Education Budget for the 2014-2015 school year. Board members Kate Galle, Matthew Giuffre, Alison Romkey and Ron Rousseau were present; members Karen Bergin, Julie Begin and Rich Hayes were absent. Superintendent Kristin Heckt was also present.

- A. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Matt Giuffre at 6:30 PM.
- B. Comments from the Audience – none
- C. Presentation of the Superintendent's Proposed 2014-2015 Board of Education Budget – Superintendent Kristin Heckt presented the budget information. Copies of the 2014-2015 Budget book, Power Point presentation and a Questions and Answers sheet were provided to members. After the presentation, Vice Chair Matt Giuffre opened up comments to the audience and asked that they be limited to the process of the budget preparation. Board of Finance Chair Bob Munroe (24 Pond View Road, Bolton, CT) asked if the \$100K CAPA items listed for the school district were approved items or requests only and asked for clarification on the salaries and benefits. Superintendent Heckt stated the CAPA items were approved and provided information on how the salaries and benefits figures were arrived at. Board of Finance Member James Bruner (20 Pond View Road, Bolton, CT) asked if Columbia administrators had been contacted for input on the projected Columbia enrollment numbers that were provided. Superintendent Heckt said they had not and provided information on how the numbers were reached. Superintendent Heckt also provided information on the Choice student process used for the current school year and anticipated openings for the 2014-2015 school year. She also clarified that the Newsweek ranking of Bolton High School as 842 out of 21,035 is a current figure. There were no other comments from the audience. Vice Chair Giuffre asked the Board members to begin their review of the 2014-2015 Budget and be prepared for the Budget Workshop next Thursday, February 6th at 6:00 PM in the BOE. He also requested that any questions be emailed to Superintendent Heckt prior to that date to allow time to have answers available at that meeting.
- D. Adjournment – A **motion** to adjourn was presented by Ron Rousseau, 2nd by Alison Romkey; MUP.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Boyd
Board Clerk