

New Hartford Public Schools
Special Board of Education Meeting
March 29, 2018
7:00 p.m./Multipurpose Room
Antolini School

Present: Josh Adams (out at 8:12, back in 8:13), Penny Miller, Jenn Benaitis (out at 7:00, in at 7:02), Tim Goff, Kelly O'Dell Longhi, Thomas Buzzi, Tim Klepps, Superintendent Brian Murphy
Absent: Pat Spaziani and Stacie Cull

A. Chair to Open Meeting- Chairman Josh Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Public Comment- Laura Polakow- Addressed the board with her concerns about administrative costs in the 2018-2019 budget and the new preschool section and data supporting the program.

C. Old Business

- a. 2018-2019- Motion** by Tim Goff, second by Josh Adams, to reduce the budget by one preschool classroom at a reduction of \$50,000. All in favor, none opposed. **Motion passes.** **Motion** by Josh Adams, second by Tim Goff, to reduce the budget by \$11,730 related to health benefits cost. All in favor none, opposed. **Motion passes.** **Motion** by Jen Benaitis, second by Penny Miller, to eliminate stand up desks and the two Instructional Aide positions from the 2018-2019 budget and to add one full time tutor position to the 2018-2019 budget. Those in favor: Jenn Benaitis and Josh Adams. Opposed: Kelly O'Dell Longhi, Tim Klepps, Penny Miller, Thomas Buzzi, Tim Goff. **Motion fails.** **Motion** by Tim Goff, second by Tim Klepps to approve for presentation at the public hearing the 2018-2019 budget at \$8,056,575. Those in favor: Penny Miller, Tim Klepps, Kelly O'Dell Longhi, Tim Goff, Thomas Buzzi. Opposed: Jenn Benaitis. **Motion passes.**

D. Adjournment- Motion by Penny Miller, second by Tim Goff to adjourn the meeting at 8:16. All in favor, none opposed. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Alexis Calder
Recording Secretary
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