

1 **Shaker Regional School District**
2 **Meeting Minutes**
3 **September 12, 2011**

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5 **IN ATTENDANCE**

6 Board: Pret Tuthill, Chair; Diane O'Hara, Tom Goulette, Richy Bryant, Heidi Hutchinson, Sean
7 Embree, Bob Reed

8 Administration: Mark Blount, Superintendent; Debbie Thompson, Business Administrator;
9 Shannon Bartlett, Director of Curriculum & Assessment; Tonyel Mitchell-Berry, Director of
10 Student Services

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12 **CALL TO ORDER**

13 Pret called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

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15 **BUDGET REVIEW**

16 Debbie reviewed the available funds in the 2011-2012 budget.
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From NH Retirement Set-Aside	127,824	
Used for a Position	(22,707)	
Used for Contracted Service	(39,000)	
Balance		66,117
From Special Education Tuition	208,000	
For potential placement	(150,000)	
Balance from Tuition		58,000
Available		124,117

18 Pret asked if the board wished to look at items that were cut after the adoption of the budget.
19 Diane asked if the BMS Guidance Secretary could be included.
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Job Training	34,352
Co-Curricular Stipends	57,548
SRO Contribution	10,000
Curriculum Stipends	20,309
Computer Tech PT Position	23,761
Legal	10,000
Custodian	24,949
BMS PT Guidance Secretary	8,607
TOTAL	189,526

22 Discussion regarding the items ensued. Co-curricular needs to be reviewed as some of the
23 activities listed are no longer occurring. Co-curricular would be a not to exceed amount of
24 \$57,548.
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27 There was no interest in funding the SRO Contribution at this time since the town has the
28 position covered in their budget.

1 Bob asked how it was working without the custodial position. Pret said there are custodians
2 covering a couple of buildings and there is no floater, which means Doug becomes the floater in
3 the event someone calls in. Pret said we cut 2 custodians from the budget and we are below the
4 custodians per square foot recommended levels.
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6 Diane said she would be interested in restoring 2 classroom assistants instead of funding the
7 curriculum stipends and legal. Heidi said based on recent events the legal should probably be
8 funded.
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10 Tom asked if the board should reserve some of the \$124,000 and how much the board felt
11 comfortable spending.
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13 Pret asked is the Job Training could be done at two-thirds the original budgeted time. Mark said
14 any time that could be put into the position would be a great benefit. Debbie said providing two-
15 thirds for the position would be \$22,901. The board said another \$3,000 should be added to
16 cover travel and purchased services.
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18 Pret asked if the board wanted to live with the Curricular Stipend cuts at that point.
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20 Heidi asked about the computer technician position and if people felt the classroom assistants
21 would be more important. Heidi pointed out the classroom assistants would provide more
22 student contact and services than the computer tech.
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24 Bob asked if the board should look at any individuals who were cut back. Pret said none of them
25 lost benefits.
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27 **A motion was made by Tom Goulette, and seconded by Diane O'Hara, to fund Co-**
28 **Curricular Stipends, Legal, PT Middle School Guidance, and one classroom assistant, for a**
29 **total not to exceed \$99,895. The motion passed.**
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31 Pret asked Administration to work on the real numbers for the Collective Bargaining Agreement
32 schedule of athletic and co-curricular salaries (Appendix B) and to find out which activities are
33 really used.
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35 Pret asked Mark to have a discussion regarding Job Training running at two-thirds the original
36 budget request. Mark said he will have that information for the next board meeting.
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38 At 6:55 pm a motion was made by Diane O'Hara, and seconded by Richy Bryant, and by
39 unanimous roll call vote to enter into non-public session, in accordance with RDS 91-
40 3:II(a)(b)(c).
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42 Respectfully submitted,
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46 Debbie D. Thompson
47 Clerk pro temp