

**GILFORD BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**School District Budget Public Hearing**  
**January 11, 2011**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Gilford High School**

Members Present: Dick Hickok, Dale Dormody, Kevin Roy, Fred Butler, Dave Horvath, Sue Greene, Paul Blandford, Skip Murphy, Pat Labonte, Gus Benavides, Phyllis Corrigan and Terry Stewart

Also in attendance were Superintendent, Paul DeMinico; Assistant Superintendent for Business, Scott Isabelle, School Board members Kurt Webber, Rae Mello-Andrews and Sue Allen; Gilford Elementary School Principal Jack Billings; Gilford Middle School Principal Marcia Ross; Director of Student Services Esther Kennedy; Building and Grounds Supervisor Tim Bartlett; Gilford High School Principal Ken Wiswell; Gilford High School Assistant Principal Peter Sawyer, Director of Curriculum and Assessment Sandie MacDonald and Technology Director Brenda McGee.

The Budget Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Hickok began the meeting by welcoming members of the public and thanking them for attending tonight's public hearing. He asked each Budget Committee member to introduce themselves. Chairman Hickok further explained that the purpose of tonight's hearing is to receive public input on School District Budget items. Chairman Hickok advised members of the public what handouts have been prepared for tonight's meeting, including one citizen petition article that had been received today.

Chairman Hickok proceeded to run through the 2010-2011 School Budget Hearing Overview. A brief explanation followed on the summary of increases and decreases, as well as the default budget. Chairman Hickok asked Scott Isabelle to read the petition warrant article that had been submitted. Chairman Hickok then opened the public hearing for questions and comments.

Mark Corry asked if the Budget Committee would be voting on the petition warrant article. Chairman Hickok stated that there would be no vote as no money is involved in the article.

Pam Hayes asked where citizens could get a copy of the proposed district plan mentioned in the petition warrant article. Chairman Hickok stated that it could be obtained from the school district office.

Roz Roy asked if we should assume that the intention of the article is to remove the superintendent. Chairman Hickok stated that he would make that assumption based on the fact that it was made in 1998.

There being no further questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Varricchio  
School District Clerk