

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN &
SHEFFIELD MEMBERS OF SBRSD SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 4, 2008
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM
6:00 PM**

Board Members Present: Julie M. Hannum, Chairman
James T. Collingwood Sr., Clerk
David D. Macy

School Comm. Members Present: David Steindler

Other Staff Present: Joseph A. Kellogg, Town Administrator
Rhonda LaBombard, Assistant Town Administrator

Chairman Hannum called the meeting to order.

Discussion ensued regarding the meeting schedule.

Discussion ensued regarding the budget presentation. The number of students from Sheffield will increase next year, which will increase our percentage of the budget. Discussion ensued regarding the current teacher's contract and positions that will need to be eliminated. The budget has increased 4% due to salary increases, hiring a math coach and some equipment. The Town will be at its levy limit for FY09.

Discussion ensued regarding the Monterey School, which will have 2 students next year. The cost to operate this school is one teacher, one aide and approximately \$10,000 in energy costs.

Discussion ensued regarding sharing resources with Berkshire Hills School District, outsourcing services, busing and the bus contract.

It was noted that the elementary school principal is leaving the District.

Discussion ensued regarding the number of students attending the Egremont and New Marlborough schools and the maximum class size will be 24.

Selectman Macy moved to recess the meeting until 7:00 pm, seconded by Selectman Collingwood. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hannum recessed the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and noted the Board would reconvene at 7:00 p.m. for their regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda LaBombard
Assistant Town Administrator