



WOCSD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MISSION STATEMENT

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. commits to ensuring that each scholar develops the social, academic, critical and creative thinking skills necessary to meet with success in college, career, citizenship and life. The responsibility for education is shared by student, family, school and community.

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MINUTES

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee held a **Public Hearing** meeting on Wednesday, **March 30, 2016** at 7:00pm at the Wells Elementary School, 276 Sanford Road, Wells, Maine.

School Committee members attending were: Helena Ackerson, Chair; Jason Vennard, Vice-Chair; Stillman Bradish, Karen MacNeill, Miranda Pollard, and Boriana Dolliver.

Administrators in attendance were: Jim Daly, Superintendent; Jay Moore, Interim Dir. of Finance; Stacey Schatzabel, Dir. of Instruction; Ryan Fairchild, Dir. Spec. Svcs.; Michael Richards, Dir. of Technology; Eileen Sheehy, WHS Principal; Josh Gould, WHS Asst. Principal; Jack Molloy, WHS Student Act. Dir.; Chris Chessie, WJHS Principal; Marianne Horne, WES Principal; and Ken Spinney, WES Asst. Principal;

Others present were: Tim Roche, Cindy Roche, David Barter, Marty Ryan, Reg Bennett, and Maryanne Foley.

1. **Call to Order/ Mission Statement**

-Chair Ackerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and read the Mission Statement

-Chair Ackerson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

2. **Public Hearing – ‘FY 17 Preliminary Budget**

-Supt. Daly opened this section of the meeting by explaining the budget process and the steps leading to a final figure:

- process began in October - goal of less than 3%
- administrators met with staff during Nov-Dec
- principals and directors' budgets presented in December
- result: \$718,922 increase – 2.9%

-Factors: declining enrollment, new high school, debt service

-Dir. Moore addressed the audience and thanked all involved for their assistance in creating a strong FY '17 budget.

-He explained that:

- Total K-12 Program Budget = \$ 25,064,345
- Less State Revenue - 965,577
- Less Use of Fund Balance - 100,000
- Less Local Non Tax Revenue - 30,000
- Total Local Cost to Towns = \$ 23,968,768

Per L.D. 1725, Local Cost to Towns is calculated using property valuation (66.7%) and school enrollment (33.3%):

- Total to be raised by Wells = \$ 18,680,700
- Total to be raised by Ogunquit = \$ 5,288,068
- Total Local Share = \$ 23,968,768

The estimated 2017 tax increase would be:

- Wells: \$.08 per thousand
- Ogun: \$.03 per thousand

Using a base of a \$300,000 home, this would equate to a property tax increase of:

- Wells: \$24.00/year or \$2.00/month
- Ogun: \$ 9.00/year or \$0.75/month

3. Public Comment

-there was no public comment

4. Adjournment

- On behalf of the entire Committee, Chair Ackerson thanked Supt. Daly and Dir. Moore for their diligence in developing such a responsible budget.

-Chair Ackerson reminded the audience of upcoming budget-related meetings:

- ✓ June 1st – Budget Meeting to adopt budget
- ✓ June 7th – Referendum Vote – Wells and Ogunquit

-Chair Ackerson called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:26pm.

Moved: *Bradish*

Seconded: *Vennard*

Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

James P. Daly, Secretary
Wells-Ogunquit School Committee