

**SPECIAL MEETING - MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER
February 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.**

Item 1: Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by David Rowley. Board of Education members in attendance were Carrie Baxter, Sandra Berardy, Steven Loiler, Thomas McNally, Robert Mitchell, Jr., Todd Pomazon, David Rowley, and James Wood. Also in attendance were Superintendent Pamela W. Aubin, Assistant Superintendent Brian C. Levesque, Director of Special Services Donna Maynard, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Laurie Pallin, Business Manager Kathy Lamoureux, Director of Facilities Matt Bialowas, Administrators Thomas Amanti, Tatiana Patten, Jason Daly, Sheila Reagan, Mary Jane Dix, Lorilyn Caron, Mark Johnson, and Jeff Newton. In addition, Town Council Members Catherine Buebendorf, Howard Beetham, Jr., Ellen Hillman, Donna Jacobson, Dana McFee, and Gary Murphy, and Mayor Joseph Jaskiewicz, and *The New London Day* reporter Megan Bard.

Item 2: Review of proposed 2010-2011 Board of Education budget

Superintendent Pamela W. Aubin reviewed the proposed 2010-2011 budget, highlighting a reduction in force of two teachers, the elementary part-time assistant principals, and one maintenance worker. In addition, no new paraprofessional positions will be added, along with no new sports/extracurricular activities. There will be slight increases in other salaries due to contractual obligations. Many line items will receive no increase and will be level funded.

Also highlighted were reductions in Unemployment Compensation due to minimal reduction in force, offset by an extended benefit period; elimination of Employee Assistance Plan funding due to negotiations with Anthem/Blue Cross funding the EAP free of charge; in electricity, heating fuel, gasoline, diesel and oil, based on projected rates/usage, reduced costs of fuel and employing efficient and clean dual system for heating in some buildings; in property insurance due to improved claim history and final year of three-year fixed price contract; in transportation and liability insurance due to favorable claims history and three-year partnership with the Town; and in tuition due to lower Vo-Ag enrollment, magnet school cap, and adjustments.

The Superintendent's proposed budget for 2010-2011 is \$36,623,436, with a total increase of \$712,509 or a 1.98% increase from last year's budget.

Item 3: Adjournment.

Motion to Adjourn:	Carrie Baxter
Seconded:	Thomas McNally
Vote:	Unanimous

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Submitted by,

Pamela W. Aubin
Superintendent of Schools