

**SPECIAL MEETING - MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OAKDALE SCHOOL  
GYMNASIUM  
January 13, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Item 1: Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting opened at 6:35 p.m. Board of Education members in attendance were Carrie Baxter, Robert Mitchell, Todd Pomazon, and David Rowley. Also in attendance were Superintendent Pamela W. Aubin, Assistant Superintendent Brian Levesque, Director of Special Services Donna Maynard, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Laurie Pallin, Business Manager Kathy Lamoureux, and Principal Mark Johnson.

**Item 2: Budget suggestions, 2010-11**

M. Johnson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone, and introduced Board Chair David Rowley. D. Rowley introduced Board of Education members, and gave a brief summary of the budget assumptions and constraints. P. Aubin opened the meeting to the public for discussion, asking for ways we might reduce expenditures.

Discussion was held on the following items:

- Focus on energy conservation, supervising people to ensure compliance
  - Exploring photovoltaic cells to save on electric bills
  - Exploring green opportunities
- Increasing Preschool and Kindergarten to full day programs
  - Hard when both parents are working
- Asking parents to pay a fee to participate in after school programs
- Exploring students attending Friendship School
- Communicating to parents and community members
  - Seek out parents/businesses to look for donations and support to the school system
  - Use website to post a list of needs that parents/community members might fill
- Communicating to parents about how they can help to support the budget to the community
- Town Council Member Gary Murphy asked for a 0% increase

**Item 3: Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Submitted by,

Pamela W. Aubin  
Superintendent of Schools