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HOLLIS/BROOKLINE COOP BUDGET COMMITTEE
April 28, 2008 Minutes

- Members Present: Forrest Milkowski, Lorin Rydstrom, Dan Peterson, Ray Valle, Doug Davidson, Steve Pucci, Greg McHale and Greg d'Arbonne.
- Members Absent: None.
- Guests/Public Present: None.

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1. Committee Chairman Forrest Milkowski called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM. Due to a lack of the key to the SAU Office Building, the Committee moved to the High School to conduct the meeting. The meeting reconvened at 6:20 PM in the High School foyer near the auditorium.
2. Positions on the Budget Committee: Forest Milkowski stated the first order of business is to vote on who will be the Committee Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. Ray Valle made a motion that the same personnel who served as Committee Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary in the positions last year, fill those positions this year. They are: Forest Milkowski as Committee Chairman; Lorin Rydstrom as Committee Vice Chairman; and Greg d'Arbonne as Committee Secretary. Doug Davidson seconded the motion.
 - a. **Motion:** Ray Valle made a motion that the same personnel who served as Committee Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary in the positions last year, fill those positions this year. They are: Forest Milkowski as Committee Chairman; Lorin Rydstrom as Committee Vice Chairman; and Greg d'Arbonne as Committee Secretary. Doug Davidson seconded the motion.

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- b. **Vote:** 8 in favor of the motion, none against. The motion passed.
3. Discussion of what the Budget Committee will give for guidance for the School Year 2009-2010: Dan Peterson stated the Budget Committee should look at a 3 year budget guidance. Steve Pucci stated he wanted to understand where the members of the Budget Committee all stand concerning feelings about what the budget should be and whether we should look at programmatic issues to determine the budget. Dan pointed out that we need some kind of metric to measure effectiveness so we can determine what the budget should be. This is not a simple answer, he said, but we need to look at this. He also said we need to get some budget guidance now so the School Board can plan earlier. Lively discussion amongst the members about these topics ensued. Forrest Milkowski asked all the members if the Budget Committee should forecast “x” amount of years so the School Board can plan for the future. Forrest also stated he does not think we are prepared to come up with how many years forecast at this meeting. Ray Valle recommended we all state our positions so we all we can think about the issue. The members discussed as Ray recommended. Forrest asked for a follow-up meeting where each of us comes up with our plan for the budget and we discuss amongst us. Dan stated we should have a 3 year plan for the budget and that the School Board can pull out the contract numbers from that.
 4. Ray Valle stated that other issues have come up and for personal reasons he was considering resigning from the Committee sometime this term.
 5. Next Meeting: Forrest Milkowski stated the next Budget Committee meeting will be 8 May at 6 PM in the Middle School All Purpose Room. Greg d’Arbonne will Post the meeting notice.
 6. Lorin Rydstrom made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg d’Arbonne seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg d’Arbonne
Secretary