

Southern Berkshire Regional School District  
Mt. Everett Regional School Library  
Sheffield, MA  
March 7, 2019  
Open Public Hearing Re FY20 Budget

School Committee Members: Art Batacchi, Jeffrey Blaugrund, Jane Burke, Ken Knox, Dennis Sears, Maryellen Brown, Marcella Bush, Bonnie Silvers, Jon Bruno

Absent: David Travis

Administration: Beth Regulbuto, Chris Regan, Peter Dufresne, Sandi Hubbard, Jesse Carpenter, Glenn Devoti

Press: Hanna Shirley, Berkshire Record; CTSB TV;

Others: Michele Shalaby, Mary Shalaby, C. Ketchen, K. Ketchen, Amy Lyn, Charles Miller, Robert Miller, Tara White, Sarah Siket,

1. Welcome/Call to Order:

Chairman Knox called the public hearing to order at 5:07 pm and welcomed the town officials and other audience members.

Roll call of all school committee members present.

2. Overview of FY120 Operating, Transportation and Capital Budgets

Superintendent Regulbuto gave a power-point presentation of the FY20 Operating, Transportation and Capital Budget that covered the following areas:

- District Vision
- Guiding Principles
- Strategy for District Improvement 2018-2021
- State Budget Process
- SBRSD FY20 Operating Budget Timeline
- FY20 Budget Overview – FY20 preliminary budget \$17,321,733 an increase of \$631,722 or 3.79% over the FY19 budget.
- FY20 Operating Budget – Major items affecting increase in operating budget are
- FY20 Capital Budget – Proposed budget is a 0% increase to Capital Expenditures
- FY20 Debt Schedule
- FY20 Proposed Increase to Assessments – Total net increase in assessments \$400,951 or 2.95%.

See attached power point for details. This document is also available on the SBRSD website.

3. Comments and Questions from Town Officials/Audience Members

Michele Shalaby, New Marlborough, asked for clarification on some items that were presented.

4. Adjourn

*Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:35 p.m.*

*By: Dennis Sear*

*Second: Art Batacchi*

*Vote: Unanimous*