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A **Special Meeting** of the Kenilworth Board of Education was **called to order** at 7:30 p.m. by President Nancy Zimmerman, in the Board of Education Conference Room in the Brearley School on **February 10, 2016**.

President Zimmerman led the **salute to the Flag**.

Adequate notice of this Special Meeting of the Kenilworth Board of Education has been provided to the Home/News Tribune, The Local Source, and The Star-Ledger on January 4, 2016. A copy has been filed with the Kenilworth Borough Clerk, posted in the Board of Education Business Office, Harding and Brearley Schools and the Kenilworth Borough Hall, as is provided by the Open Public Meetings Act.

Upon **roll call**, the following members were present: Genean Braun, Gregg David, Paulette Drogon, Mark Jankiewicz, Anthony Laudati, Walter Sosnosky, and Nancy Zimmerman. Absent was: David Curtin and Annmarie Duda.

Also in attendance were Vincent A. Gonnella, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and members of the leadership team, including Dr. Tramaglini, incoming Superintendent of Schools.

Purpose of this meeting: Over the past several weeks, members of the Finance and Facility Committee met with members of the Leadership Team and completed a line-by-line analysis of the 2016-2017 school budget. This meeting will focus on the building level administrators and district level supervisors outlining and highlighting components of their proposed 2016-2017 budgets.

Phase I Budget Review: Leadership Team Programmatic Justification

<u>Program</u>	<u>Administrator</u>
Harding Elementary Program	Mrs. Murphy & Mr. Bubnowski
Brearley Middle/High School Program	Mr. Luciani & Mr. White
Guidance & Assessment/Special Education	Mrs. Budine
Interscholastic Athletic & Physical Education Program	Mr. Miller
Curriculum- Professional Development - Textbooks	Dr. Bradley & Mrs. Bound

Presentations focused on the following topics:

Miller – Athletics Program:

- Fitness Program at Brearley
- On Line Physicals
- Coaching Fundamentals Certification Program
- Band Uniforms
- Major Purchases and reason for need:

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- Soccer Goals
- Wrestling Mats (Club Assistance)

Luciani – Brearley Program:

- TV Display's for Announcements
- Music Stands and Cart
- Science Budget increase
- Plays – philosophy and CAST use and request to assist our program
- Middle School “test prep,” cost and rationale
- Need for textbooks in Spanish

Bradley/Bound – Curriculum/Professional Development/Textbooks:

- Curriculum Revision – 5 year cycle
- Curriculum councils not needed
- Professional Development Days - Philosophy
- Mentor Training
- New Hire Retiree Training
- Use of the Textbook Evaluation Form

Budine – Guidance Program:

- Changes to PSAT/Readistep
- Character Assemblies rationale

Budine – Special Education:

- Behavioral Program (Status)
- MD Program (Life Skills Component)
- Co-Teaching Model (Status)
- CST Testing Materials need and rationale
- Need for and history of Summer Evaluations
- General Philosophy of CST when considering ODP – including review of least restrictive environment and its hierarchy

Murphy – Harding Program:

- Go Math and its costs
- Student Planners – rationale and need
- Tipani Drum request
- Leveled Libraries
- Touch Math Program

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- My Quest Program

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Motion was made by Braun, seconded by Drogon, that the **meeting be opened to the public**. Motion carried unanimously.

- No public comments

Motion was made by Braun, seconded by Laudati, that the **meeting be closed to the public**. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by David, seconded by Drogon, that **when the meeting adjourns, it adjourns to the call of the chair**. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent A. Gonnella
Secretary to the Board