

**BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM  
JOINT MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN HALL SELECTMENS ROOM  
JANUARY 17, 2014**

Present: Ms. Laurie Graham, Chair  
Ms. Anne Lougée, Secretary  
Mr. Kevin Cunningham  
Ms. Lisa Fiore  
Ms. Elyse Shuster  
Ms. Laurie Slap  
Dr. Thomas Kingston, Interim Superintendent  
Ms. Janice Darius, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction  
Mr. Tony DiCologero, Director of Business, Finance and Operations

Mr. Mark Paolillo, Chair, Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Andres Rojas, Vice Chair  
Mr. Ralph Jones, Selectman  
Mr. David Kale, Town Administrator  
Ms. Phyllis Marshall, Assistant Town Administrator  
Ms. Diane Crimmins, Human Resources Director  
Ms. Chitra Subramanian, Town Accountant  
Mr. Floyd Carman, Town Treasurer

1. **OPENING BUSINESS**

1.1 Call to order

Mr. Paolillo and Ms. Graham called the Board of Selectmen (BOS) and the School Committee (SC) meetings, respectively, to order at 8:09 a.m.

2. **QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS**

2.1 There were none.

3. **ACTION BY APPOINTMENT**

3.1 Budget Update

Mr. Kale reviewed the FY'15 budget presentation schedule for the week of February 10. He suggested that the BOS and SC meet again before then to review the most current revenue numbers from the state. Mr. Kale also reviewed the status of the Town's budget development, noting that Capital Budget requests are due February 15 (after the submission of departmental operating budgets). Finally, Mr. Kale reported that the Financial Task Force has been meeting and collecting information that relates to long-term planning for the Town.

Dr. Kingston reported that he and Mr. DiCologero have been meeting weekly with both the Finance Subcommittee and Mr. Kale regarding the FY'15 budget. He indicated that compensation and increased enrollment are the biggest cost drivers.

4. **JOINT EXECUTIVE SESSION**

After the BOS voted by roll-call vote to enter into Executive Session, the School Committee, on a motion offered by Ms. Lougée and seconded by Ms. Slap

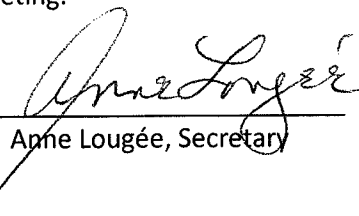
**VOTED** by roll-call vote 6-0-0, to enter into executive session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:47 a.m. the School Committee returned to open session and on a motion immediately offered by Ms. Slap and seconded by Ms. Shuster

**VOTED** 5-0-0, with Ms. Graham absent, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by

  
Anne Lougée, Secretary