

**EASTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
EASTON, MA**

**EASTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
Thursday, June 3, 2010**

**Minutes of the School Committee Workshop Meeting of June 3, 2010,** convened at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at 50 Oliver Street.

Present were: Caroline O'Neill, Jane Martin, Donna Abelli, Rebecca Turley, Wes Paul, John Giuggio, and Mike Green. Mrs. Less was absent.

Mr. Paul and Mr. Giuggio were in attendance and gave an overview of the Honors Program. Mr. Paul talked about expectations and the material covered in the Honors Program at Oliver Ames High School. Mr. Giuggio shared information regarding scheduling and the number of students in Honors classes at the Easton Middle School. A lengthy discussion took place around grading, class size issues, and the override process. It was agreed that Mr. Paul will track overrides and will include more detailed information regarding the Honors Program and the override process in the Program of Studies.

Under Superintendent Notes, Dr. Green provided a staffing update and shared that each of the newly hired Principals will have a mentor.

Mrs. Abelli left the meeting at this juncture.

The Superintendent distributed a revised draft of the previously voted and approved FY2011 Operating Budget for discussion. This draft has been reduced to a 2.98% increase from the 3.5% increase approved at the April 29, 2010 School Committee meeting. The Superintendent explained that this budget eliminates the positions that would be needed to move forward with the OAHS schedule change. Committee members expressed their disappointment in not being able to move forward with the OAHS schedule change.

On a motion by Vice Chair Martin, seconded by Mrs. Turley, and with a 3-0 vote, the members re-voted the 2010-2011 Operating Budget in the amount of \$31,860,839.

Projected enrollments/sections for grades K-6 were shared and discussed.

The Superintendent presented an unpaid leave of absence for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year for Daniel Garzoglio, World Language teacher at Oliver Ames High School. Mr. Garzoglio is requesting the leave to teach in Spain for one year.

On a motion by Vice Chair Martin, seconded by Mrs. Turley, and with a 3-0 vote, the Committee approved the request with the understanding that it sets no precedent.

The Superintendent presented a contract with MHQ for a 2010 Ford E350 Special Education van. Dr. Green explained that the oldest of the SPED vans are used for spares before they go out of service.

On a motion by Mrs. Turley, seconded by Chair O'Neill, and with a 3-0 vote, the Committee approved the contract with MHQ for a 2010 Ford E350 Special Education van in the amount of \$46,234.

On a motion by Mrs. Turley, seconded by Vice Chair Martin, the members voted to adjourn the workshop meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Green, Ed. D.  
Secretary