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**NEWPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**Special Meeting**  
Tuesday, April 4, 2006, 7 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order.** Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker called the Special Meeting of the Newport School Committee to order at 7 p.m. at the Thompson Middle School Library. Attendance was as follows: School Committee Members: Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker, Vice Chairperson Robert J. Leary, David R. Carlin, Hugo J. DeAscentis, Jr., Jo Eva Gaines, Dr. O. William Hilton, Jr. (absent), and Thomas S. Phelan; School Department: Superintendent of Schools John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D., Director of Special Education Linda Martin, Executive Director of Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development (position vacant), Business Manager Michael Saunders, Director of Property Services Paul Fagan, Coordinator of Human Resources and Information Services Fran Eames (absent), School Building Principals, Administrators, and School Committee Counsel Neil P. Galvin (absent).

**ROLL CALL.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**1.0 2006-2007 Budget Workshop—Presentation.** Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi presented the 2006-2007 Proposed School Budget to the Committee, recommending an overall 4.5 percent increase.

He highlighted the expenditure recommendations supporting the proposed increase, as follows:

Total Salaries:	3.6% Increase
Total Benefits:	12.98% Increase
Total Purchased Services:	-5.11% Decrease
Total Supplies:	7.28% Increase
Total Capital Outlay:	-9.38% Decrease
Other Expenditures:	1.01% Increase

He then summarized the Revenue Projections inclusive, as follows:

Total Federal Revenues:	\$ 1,320,307
Net Rhode Island State Aid:	\$11,412,541
Total Local Revenues:	\$ 851,329
City Taxes Appropriation:	\$24,389,231

Discussion followed.

**2.0 Executive Session.** No Executive Session was held.

**Adjournment.** At 8:53 p.m. Mrs. Gaines made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Phelan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

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**Charles P. Shoemaker, M.D.**  
Chairperson

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**John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D.**  
Clerk