

STONINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 4, 2009

Mr. Bolduc, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room. Members present were John Bolduc, Chairman, April Smith, Secretary, Doug Rea, Sam Agnello, Rob Cary and Kevin Bornstein.

Member Absent: Gail MacDonald

Continuing Education Program

The Board of Education members discussed the Continuing Education Program’s current budget deficit and projected deficit for the 2008-2009 school year.

The following motion was made by Kevin Bornstein and seconded by Sam Agnello:

- **Motion 1: To appropriate \$21,382 to fund the Continuing Education Program for this fiscal year.**

The following amendment to motion #1 was made by Kevin Bornstein and seconded by Sam Agnello:

- **Motion 2: To appropriate \$21,382 to fund the Continuing Education Program for this fiscal year and that from the 2009-2010 fiscal year and following there will be zero funding and the Continuing Education Program will be removed as a Board of Education budgeted line item.**

The vote was as follows:

Doug Rea - Yes	April Smith - Yes
John Bolduc - No	Sam Agnello – Yes
Rob Cary – No	Kevin Bornstein - Yes

The motion carried.

Comments from Citizens Relative to Board Action on this Agenda

Three town citizens commented on the quality and excellence of the Continuing Education Program and the Program Director. They also expressed their hope that the program continue and that the town will come forward to help fund the program. One citizen stated that if the program is not picked up the town taxpayers will be alienated and probably won’t vote in favor of the budget.

Comments from Board Members Relative to Board Action on this Agenda

Board members agreed that the Board Chairman will send a letter to the First Selectman informing the Town of tonight’s board action and with an offer to assist in the transition of the Continuing Education Program to the Town if the Town agrees to pick it up.

The following motion was made by Sam Agnello and seconded by April Smith:

- **Motion 3: To adjourn at 8:15 p.m.**

Aye: All

April Smith, Board Secretary