

SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING – BUDGET WORKSHOP
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2017
THE SHERMAN SCHOOL - MULTI PURPOSE ROOM

Vision Statement

**We enable all Sherman Students to become the best possible version of themselves.
We provide an environment where our children develop into empathetic, self-directed,
critical thinkers who don't give up when faced with challenges.**

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A Budget Workshop of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Hanley on December 18, 2017 at 6:08 PM.

1. PRESENT:

Board of Education: Dr. Alexander, Mrs. Diotte, Mrs. Enright, Mr. Hackett, Mr. Hanley and Mrs. Seeger
Absent: Mrs. Lenihan
Administration: Dr. Melendez, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Schoefer and Mrs. Snowden
Board of Selectmen: Mr. Lowe and Mr. Ostrosky
Public: 5 Residents

2. DISCUSSED:

- Rowland Hanley gave a brief presentation describing how the budget process has evolved over the last several years and where investments have been made in our current budget.
- Dr. Melendez explained that the purpose of the workshop is to solicit input and ideas from the public so that as the Board and Administration work to craft a budget in the coming months, their feedback is considered from the start of the process.
- Budget areas were broken into 5 different topics: Curriculum & Instruction, Exceptional & Special Education, Technology & Arts, Facilities & Maintenance, High School & Transportation. All members in attendance were invited to discuss their ideas, opinions, questions, and requests pertaining to each topic. Approximately 15 minutes were allocated to each topic and all suggestions were transcribed on chart paper, which will be typed up by the Administration and made available on the school website.
- The next Budget Workshop will take place on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:00. The area of focus for that workshop will be Staffing and Special Education. All interested members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

3. ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kasey Diotte
Vice Chair, Sherman Board of Education