

**JOINT  
ACTON/ACTON-BOXBOROUGH REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Library  
R.J. Grey Junior High School

February 25, 2010  
7:00 pm Joint Executive Session  
7:30 pm Joint Open Budget Hearing  
Acton Public School Meeting following JT Meeting

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**AGENDA  
OPEN BUDGET HEARING**

I. CALL TO ORDER (7:00)

II. CHAIRPERSON'S INTRODUCTION

III. JT EXECUTIVE SESSION

**JOINT OPEN BUDGET HEARING begins (7:30)**

IV. APPROVAL OF JOINT MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2010 (addendum)

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. FY'10 Acton Public and Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools Budget Update - *Steve Mills (7:40)*

- a. Review of E&D Forecast Estimates
- b. FY'10 Budget Reductions

2. FY'11 Acton Public and Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools Budget Update - **OPEN BUDGET HEARING with Acton & Boxborough Finance Committees** - *Steve Mills (7:50)*

- See 2/6/10 Budget Binder for budget information
  - a. Feb 6, 2010 Presentation Slides  
<http://ab.mec.edu/about/scpackets0910/BudgetPresentation2-6-10.pdf>
- Link to revisions - <http://ab.mec.edu/departments/finance/financebudgets.shtml>
- Chapter 70 Update from Roger Hatch - *Steve Mills (oral)*
- Possible Recommendation to Approve Revised FY'11 ABRSD Budget and Assessments - **VOTE** - *Steve Mills*
- School Committee/FinCom Questions/Responses

3. Health Insurance Trust Report - *John Petersen (oral)*

4. Director of Finance Search Process - *Marie Altieri (oral)*

**ADJOURN AB MEETING - APS MEETING CONTINUES (8:45)**

VII. APS APPROVAL OF APS MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2010 AND STATEMENT OF WARRANT

VIII. APS UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. ALG Report/ Acton Finance Committee Report – *Xuan Kong/Sharon McManus*
  - a. ALG Packet 2/10/10 and 2/24/10
  - b. ALG Minutes of 2/10/10 meeting
  - c. Draft Spreadsheet for 2/24/10 ALG meeting (created 2/18/10)
2. FY'11 Acton Public Schools Budget Update
  - Recommendation to Approve FY'11 Acton Public Schools' Budget – **VOTE**  
– *Steve Mills*

IX. APS NEW BUSINESS (9:00)

1. Recommendation to Accept Gift from Jim Salem and Sue Cunio to Merriam School – **VOTE** – *Steve Mills*
2. Recommendation to Approve Gates Field Trip to Nature's Classroom, April 28-30, 2010 – **VOTE** – *Steve Mills*
3. Minuteman Tech Regional High School Capital Project Feasibility Study – *Xuan Kong*

X. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

1. Youth Risk Behavior Survey Letter to Families
2. "Regionalization Goldmine or Graveyard" – *Christine Lynch, DESE and Mark Abrahams, The Abrahams Group (MASBO) 2/11/10*
3. Acton Town Meeting Report (*see JT packet 2/4/10*)
4. Letters from Conant PTO and Parents in support of elementary principals, 2/4/10
5. Parent Email re COPS funding
6. Parent Emails re Educational Values and Interests Survey
7. Monthly APS Financial Reports (*addendum*)
  - a. Budget Status Summary
  - b. Budget Status Summary – SPED
8. February 1, 2010 Student Enrollment Numbers/Class Size Info
9. ELL Student Enrollment Report, 2/1/10
10. School Newsletters –
  - Acton Public School Preschool: <http://ab.mec.edu/Preschool/index.htm>
  - Conant Crier: <http://conant.ab.mec.edu/pto/newsletter.html>
  - Douglas Digest: <http://douglas.ab.mec.edu/index.html?pto/pto>
  - Gates Gazette: <http://gates.ab.mec.edu/gazette.html>
  - McCarthy-Towne Bulletin: <http://www.mctptso.org/bulletin/>
  - Merriam Community News: <http://merriam.ab.mec.edu/newsletters.html>

XI. ISSUES FOR THE COMMITTEE

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (*if needed*)

XIII. NEXT MEETINGS –

- AB Meeting – March 4 at 7:30pm, JH Library
- APS Meeting – March 18 at 7:30pm, Douglas School
- Joint Meeting – March 25 at 7:30pm, JH Library (*replaces April meetings*)

XIV. ADJOURNMENT (9:30)