

**“Special” Blue Hill School Committee Budget Meeting**  
**February 9, 2012**  
**Blue Hill Consolidated School**  
**Minutes**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Chair Jon Smallidge followed by the salute to the flag.

Members Present: Jon Smallidge, Alice Herrick, Susan Keenan, Annie Rice

Members Absent: John Richardson

Others Present: Mark Hurvitt, Della Martin, Mikey Bannister, Ben Wootten

B. Flag Salute

C. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Susan Keenan, to approve the agenda.

Motion passed 4-0.

D. Business

1. Discussion of Draft 2012-2013 Budget

There was much discussion about the budget which turned out to be the final budget meeting.

Highlights:

- The board approved a raise for Debbie Candage from \$26.35 to \$27.28.
- The board approved a straw poll on pre-school at Town Meeting, but will not pursue a pre-school program for the 2012-2013 school budget.
- The board will not add an activities bus.
- The board will set aside money for new math and spelling curriculums.
- The board cut lines so as to have the budget land just under 2% increase.

During the discussion, there was one motion.

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Susan Keenan, to cut the Spanish program.

Motion failed 2-2.

(Susan Keenan, Alice Herrick – Ayes)

(Jon Smallidge, Annie Rice – Nays)

A motion was made by Alice Herrick, seconded by Annie Rice, to approve the budget proposal to send to the voters as amended on February 9, 2012, up by 1.93% over 2011-2012.

Motion passed 4-0.

E. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. by the Chair Jon Smallidge.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark E. Hurvitt  
Superintendent of Schools