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**SEAL MINUTES**  
**NEWPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**Special Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 6, 2007, 3:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order.** Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker called the Special Meeting of the Newport School Committee to order at 3:01 p.m. at the Newport Public Schools' Administration Center, Conference Room No. 2.

**Roll Call.** Attendance was as follows: School Committee Members: Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker, Vice Chairperson Robert J. Leary (absent), David R. Carlin, Hugo J. DeAscentis, Jr. (absent), Jo Eva Gaines, Dr. Thomas P. Galvin, and Thomas S. Phelan; School Department: Superintendent of Schools John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D., Director of Student Services Amy Donnelly Roche (absent), Executive Director of Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development Jacqueline Naspo, Ed.D. (absent), Business Manager Michael Saunders, Director of Property Services Paul Fagan (absent), Coordinator of Human Resources and Information Services Fran Eames (absent), School Building Principals (absent), Administrators (absent), and School Committee Counsel Neil P. Galvin.

**1.0 Enrollment.**

**Staffing.**

**Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Tentative School Budget.**

In preparation for the preliminary budget meeting with the Mayor and Council on Wednesday evening, March 7, 2007, which, according to the state law, must be held, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi presented to the Committee a tentative Budget recommendation, representing an increase of 2.25 percent. Review and discussion followed relative to tentative enrollment, staffing, and expenditures. Mr. Carlin made a motion to approve the Tentative Recommended 2007-2008 School Budget of \$38,369,657, representing an increase of 2.25 percent, as presented. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).

**2.0 Executive Session.**

At 3:26 p.m., Mr. Carlin made a motion to go into **Executive Session** under jurisdiction of Rhode Island State Law, Chapter 46, 42-46-5 – Exceptions (a)(1) Personal Matters, and the person or persons affected have been notified in advance in writing and advised that they may require that the discussion be held in an open session; and (a)(2)

Collective Bargaining and Litigation. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

### OPEN SESSION

At 4:50 p.m., the meeting was called in Open Session.

**Adjournment.** At 4:51 p.m., Mrs. Gaines made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Phelan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (5-0).

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

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