

TRI-BD. ADVISORY BD. MINUTES FOR MARCH 4, 2008

In attendance from the Ashburnham Advisory Board, Bill Johnson, Jamie Piedrafite, Leo Janssens, Maggie Whitney, Dottie Munroe, Marie Zbikowski, and Frank Lombardo. Also present, members of AWRSD District School Committee, members of Westminster Advisory Board, Mark Carlisle and Jonathan Dennehy for the Ashburnham Board of Selectmen, and member(s) of the Westminster Board of Selectmen.

Members of the AWRSD School Committee, members from the Boards of Selectmen from Ashburnham and Westminster, and members from the Advisory Board from each town met to discuss the 2009 budget for Regional School District. The discussions at the meeting included many aspects of the 2009 school budget including, an educated guess of Chapter 70 money that will be available, changes necessary to move the school district forward, budget shortfall in the district, the cost of \$275,000 for the proposed renewal cycle, curriculum over ride item, and the question of fully funding sports.

At this meeting Ashburnham's share of the school budget is \$6,039,298 and Westminster's share is \$7,352,465.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy J. Munroe, secretary