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BUDGET WORKSHOP BOARD OF EDUCATION

**CENTER MORICHES, NY
MARCH 28, 2012**

The Board of Education, Center Moriches Union Free School District, held a Budget Workshop in the Board Room on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Board Members Joseph W. McHeffey, Wendy R. Turkington, Daniel Finnegan, Thomas R. Hogan and Heather Schaub-Magill; Superintendent Russell J. Stewart, Deputy Superintendent Lynda G. Adams, Business Official Carol M. Perkins, District Treasurer Diane M. Smith and District Clerk Patricia A. Galietta.

President McHeffey called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 20 visitors present.

1. **Superintendent's Report** - Mr. McHeffey updated the community on recent developments with the teacher's union contract. Teacher contracts must be renegotiated to include the APPR (Annual Professional Performance Review) by July 1, 2012 (the state has extended to deadline until Jan. 2013). If Districts are not in compliance by January, they will lose any promised increase in state aid. The Board and the CMTA have been working to reach an agreement to extend the current contract and include the APPR.

Mr. McHeffey also updated those present on the budget development process so far, including the list of non-mandated programs that could be eliminated to get to a zero (0) percent budget increase which would be necessary if the budget is defeated twice.

Following the budget update, a discussion was held concerning the percentage amount that should be proposed and whether or not the public would support an increase that would pierce the cap, in our case, 2.95 %, in order to maintain the integrity of our educational programs.

On motion by Mrs. Turkington, seconded by Mr. Finnegan and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to go into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

The Budget Workshop meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Galietta
District Clerk