BOARD OF EDUCATION SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2013

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MEMBERS PRESENT:	Robert Scavo, President Sal Tripi, Vice President Teri Ahearn Douglas Duncan, Jr. Tony Falco Michael J. Isernia, Esq Dorothy Roberts Michael J. Timo
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Christine Lampitelli Kristie Botti, Student Member Francesca Barilla, Student Member
ALSO PRESENT:	James J. Nolan, Superintendent of Schools Gail Grenzig, Asst. Superintendent for Personnel Jill Karp, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction – Elementary Paul E. Manzo, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction - Secondary Bruce H. Singer, Associate Superintendent for Business Carol Adelberg, District Clerk Chris Clayton, Esq.
CALL TO ORDER:	The special meeting held at Samoset Middle School was called to order at 7:32pm by President Scavo.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	Mr. Scavo opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent meditation.

 COMMENTS FROM

 VISITORS:

 The Board heard comments and concerns from members of the audience

PRESENTATION:

2013-14 BUDGET – Associate Superintendent Bruce Singer reviewed "Notes to Various 2013-14 Budget Options, April 10, 2013 Board Meeting." There was a consensus of the Board to reinstate the GATE program making the proposed budget tax rate increase from 7.68% to 7.88%. The Board was divided on reinstating 3 FTE; therefore, increasing elementary class size in certain grades/classes by 1 student or reinstating all 12 FTE and not increasing elementary class size. The difference in tax rate was 7.99% or 8.25%, respectively. The Board requested looking into finding additional revenue to lower the tax rate.

There was a consensus of the Board to place the tax cap (3.14% budget) for voter approval if the first budget fails to be approved.

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ADJOURN: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Tripi, seconded by Mr. Falco, and carried unanimously (8-0) to adjourn at 11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Adelberg District Clerk