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WLCS BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, June 5, 2018 - 7:00 P.M. at the LCS Conference Room

Committee Membership: Chair Leslie Browne (Facilities Committee Rep.), Vice Chair Christine Tiedemann, Secretary Lisa Post (Strategic Planning Committee), Pam Altner, Jennifer Bernet (Strategic Planning Committee), Kevin Boette, Dennis Golding (School Board Rep.), Edwina Hastings (School Board Rep.), William Ryan (Facilities Committee Rep.), Alex Loverme (SB Budget Committee Representative).

The Agenda was as follows:

- Call WLCS Budget Committee to Order 1.
- **Public Comment**
- Appointment:
 - a. Strategic Planning Committee Representative (Wilton)
- 4. Review and Approval of April 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes
- 5. Budget Committee Review and Planning Session
- 6. Other Business:
 - a. Schedule Next Meeting
- Adjournment of Budget Committee

Attendees: Leslie Browne, Christine Tiedemann, Lisa Post, Jennifer Bernet, Kevin Boette, Dennis, Edwina Hastings, Alex Loverme.

- 1. Chair Browne called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
- 2. No Public Present
- 3. Appointment:
 - a. Jennifer Bernet volunteered to be the Strategic Planning Committee Wilton Representative of the Budget Committee.
- 4. Review and Approval of April 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes

A Motion was made by Edwina Hastings to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Alex Bottie. Voting: All in favor. Motion passed.

5. Budget Committee Review and Planning Session

Chair Browne discussed the information she received from SB Chair Dailey regarding the Strategic Planning Committee's agenda for the upcoming budget season and felt there was not much that was going to have impact on increasing the 19/20 Budget.

- a. Alternate school calendar to give students more educational time.
- b. Middle School reconfiguration to Junior High model.
- c. School Administrative Structure. (Current Vice Principal is on a 1-year contract).
- d. Building Utilization and Planning re: demographics/tuition.
- e. Food Service Program reviewing opting out of government program.
- f. Alternative education programs and associated costs.

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 There was a discussion of the Food Service program and concerns of both quality and quantity of the lunches and the time allotted for the students to eat their lunch. It was noted by members that students at the MS/HS are provided the same portion size as the lower grade students and leave many that can't afford two lunches hungry.

Chair Browne reported that approximate \$180K in unexpended funds will be returned to the taxpayers. AP History books for Juniors were purchased in the current budget for the upcoming year as students will be using the books over the summer.

Chair Browne asked the Committee how they wanted to proceed regarding suggesting a budget number for the upcoming season. All members agreed that they would like review the 17/18 year-end revenue and expenditures and unencumbered funds to develop a strategy on how to proceed for 19/20 Budget Season. Christine Tiedemann has offered to provide the Committee with an excel document of expenditures by category for 3 previous budget seasons and the current year which **does not include salaries and healthcare** and will update it through the budget season. The RSA for the Budget Committee was discussed.

The documents provided by Superintendent Lane the morning of the meeting were discussed. Most members were either not able to open the documents or print it. There was a suggestion that larger documents, like this report, be printed at the SAU for BC members to review several days prior to meeting.

6. Other Business:

- a. The next meeting of the Budget Committee is scheduled for Monday, August 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the WLC MS/HS Media Room.
- 7. The Budget Committee adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

A Motion was made by Christine Tiedemann to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Dennis Golding. Voting: All in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, Lisa C.M. Post, Secretary