

WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE SCHOOL

WLCS BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 13, 2018 - 7:00 P.M. at the WLC MS/HS Media 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:

1. Call WLCS Budget Committee to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Review and Approval of June 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes
4. Budget Committee Review and Planning Session
 - a. Committee Reports:
 - i. Facilities/
 - ii. School Board
 - iii. Strategic Planning
 - b. Review 17/18 End-of-Year Reports
 - c. Public School Staffing Report
5. Other Business:
 - a. Schedule Next Meeting
6. Adjournment of Budget Committee

Attendees: Leslie Browne, Lisa Post, Jennifer Bernet, Kevin Botte, Dennis Golding, Edwina Hastings, Alex Loverme (SBR)

1. Chair Browne called the Committee to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Public Comment: No Public Present
3. Review and Approval of June 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes

A Motion was made by Edwina Hastings to accept the minutes as written; Seconded by Dennis Golding. Voting: All in favor. Motion passed.

4. Budget Committee Review and Planning Session
 - a. Committee Reports:
 - i. **Facilities:** Chair Browne indicated the committee has not met, however, they are meeting at the school fields tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Browne questioned Mr. LoVerme if the School Board had received the Security Assessment Report from Homeland Security. Mr. LoVerme did not believe they received it.
 - ii. **School Board:** Ms. Hastings reported that the Historical Field Trip went well. Superintendent Lane reviewed the new evaluation systems for teachers and for Para Educators and indicated this would be a one-year pilot program that will evolve over time. The Business Administrator's Report was reviewed and noted that Ms. Tucker has been working on the open enrollment process with SAU and Business Office staff. Mr. LoVerme reported the music teacher at FRES resigned. He also indicated that the Board discussed the Zero line item that the Budget Committee had talked about and reported that "there is no zeroing out line items as the Board will just transfer the funds from another account." Mr. LoVerme reported that the YMCA will be doing an after-school program for K-6th Grade students at FRES up until 6:00 p.m. The program will cost \$90 per week per child with a late pick-up fee charged.
 - iii. **Strategic Planning:** Ms. Post and Ms. Bernet reported on the Committee's focus of: adding days to the school calendar for professional development, changing the Middle School configuration and Administrative Structure along with Building Utilization and Alternative Education programs for students with a high achievement levels. Mr. LoVerme felt there are too many students in the honors program. The Committee's focus this year is on continued growth in academic performance through a variety of

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55 modalities. The Food Service program is being reviewed from a financial, participation, quality and quantity
56 perspective. Chair Browne made the suggestion that the Strategic Committee should find lunch programs in
57 the state that are working well and take a tour of their facilities.
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- 60 **b. Review 17/18 End-of-Year Reports:** Ms. Tucker prepared a preliminary end-of-year General Fund Revenue
61 Report. Of note: revenue was down \$3,450 in Preschool tuition due to the drop of 2 students. Extended Day
62 Tuition was down \$7,626.44 due to a reduction of four students. There was a reduction of \$41,146.47 in
63 Medicaid revenue. Total revenue is down \$57,387.00. The preliminary end-of-year General Fund Expenditure
64 Report was reviewed. There is a \$142,012.15 savings on SPED Tuition & Transportation. There is a savings of
65 \$181,315.67 for Healthcare, Retirement and WC. There is a deficit from TCHR from Title II, SPED, Retires &
66 Accrual of \$204,248.75 and a transfer \$20,000 to the Food Service Funds (Mr. LoVerme noted this is offset by
67 the saving from the Technology budget for LCS, FRES and WLC MS/HS) This leaves \$178,982.40 as an
68 unexpended balance.
- 69 **c. Public School Staffing Report:** Ms. Post read the overview of the Report; data was from the New Hampshire
70 Department of Education and reported to the National Center for Education Statistics at the U.S. Department of
71 Education. The data shows the ratio of student/teacher and student/non-teaching staff from 1992-2015. This
72 led to a discussion of standardized testing data provided by Mr. Lane dated 07/24/2018 to the Strategic
73 Committee showing information prior to and after switching to counting school hours versus school days.
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75 5. Other Business:

- 76 a. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the WLC MS/HS Media Room.
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78 6. The Budget Committee adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

79 ***A Motion was made by Edwina Hastings to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Kevin Bottie. Voting: All in favor. Motion***
80 ***passed.***

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83 *Lisa C.M. Post, Secretary*
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