

WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE SCHOOL

Budget Committee FINAL Meeting Minutes April 13th, 2021 6:30p.m. Virtual / WLC Library

Committee Membership: Leslie Browne (Chair), Caitlin Maki, Darlene Anzalone, Dennis Golding, Jeffrey Jones, Adam LaVallee, Lisa Post, William Ryan, Christine Tiedemann, Jonathan Vanderhoof (SB Budget Committee Representative).

Present: Leslie Browne (Chair), Caitlin Maki, Darlene Anzalone, Dennis Golding, Jeffrey Jones, Adam LaVallee, Lisa Post, William Ryan, Jonathan Vanderhoof (SB Budget Committee Representative).

Absent: Christine Tiedemann

1. WLCS Budget Committee called to Order by Leslie Browne at 6:33 p.m.
2. Review and Approval
 - a. Feb 2, 2021 BC Meeting Minutes

A Motion was made by Dennis Golding to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Adam Lavallee All in favor 7 Yes, 0 No (2 Abstain- Caitlin Maki, Darlene Anzalone)

- b. Feb 4, 2021 BC Meeting Minutes

An amendment was made to edit the vote on Article V. Jennifer Bernet voted NO, and Leslie Brown voted YES.

A Motion was made by Jonathan Vanderhoof to approve AS AMENDED, seconded by Dennis Golding All in favor 7 Yes, 0 No (2 Abstain- Caitlin Maki, Darlene Anzalone)

3. Discussion of District Meeting

Chair Browne reviewed the district number that was approved. Adam Lavallee wished the historical revenue figures were a bit more transparent from the state and federal level long-term. Lisa Post describe what is happening in the state budgeting process and we need to be careful with the COVID funds and putting items in the budget that may be eligible for COVID reimbursement. Dennis Golding clarified that this was not representative of the viewpoint of the Budget Committee ("BC") overall. Darlene Anzalone asked that the Budget Committee should think about simplifying the slides for the public presentation. Jonathan Vanderhoof stated the BC should look at other district presentations, such as Hollis. A conversation occurred around the budget and the Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA").

4. Elections and Appointments
 - a. Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary Elections

A Motion was made by Leslie Browne to nominate Jeff Jones as BC chair, seconded by Adam Lavallee All in favor 9 Yes, 0 No

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A Motion was made by Jeff Jones to nominate Leslie Browne as BC vice-chair, seconded by Adam Lavallee

All in favor 9 Yes, 0 No

A discussion took place around Secretary. Leslie Browne recommended deferring the decision until the next meeting. The BC members agreed.

7:08 Jeff Jones left the meeting

- b. Sub Committee appointments – discussion about what committees were going to be active this year and what the roles of them were. Members volunteered for various assignments

School Board Rep – Adam Lavallee and Dennis Golding

Facilities – Lisa Post and Bill Ryan

Strategic Planning – Dennis Golding and Darlene Anzalone

Finance – Caitlin Maki and Adam Lavallee

5. Review and Discuss

FY21 YTD – Discussed YTD report as of Feb 28. Noted balance in special ed

FY22 – Committee would like to keep Google Meets access to our meeting going forward with the hopes the public will participate.

In next meeting we would like to do a overview of using the pivot Christine created.

Committee felt it would be helpful to have a DRE rep come to explain revenues prior to budget season. Lisa Post is going to follow up on that.

FY23 – Jonathan Vanderhoof suggested we meet with the teachers like we did a few years ago to listen to their needs and wants as part of the budget process. Committee agreed and felt we should do this early in the process.

Committee also agreed that we should set a directive that the various budgets be built based on need vs a % increase. Similar to the way Mr. Laroche build the budget for FRES last year.

We discussed having the BA participate in our meeting. Even if it is just for the first 15 minutes. The committee feels it will be helpful to build a relationship and have effective information exchange.

6. No public comment

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7. Did not set date for next meeting. If something comes up we can schedule a meeting. If not we will schedule something for July. More to follow

8. ***A Motion was made by Bill Ryan to adjourn, seconded by Dennis Golding
All in favor 8 Yes, 0 No (Jeff Jones absent for vote)***

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Jones