

WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE SCHOOL

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING - DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday May 21, 2025, LCS

Committee Membership: Bill Ryan (Chair), Alyssa Lavoie (Vice Chair), Bridget Mooney (Secretary), Craig Alley, Jennifer Bernet, Phil Brooks, Deb Delworth, Harold Melcher III, Jonathan Vanderhoof, Paul White (SB liaison).

Present: Alley, Bernet, Brooks, Delworth, Lavoie, Melcher, Vanderhoof, White.

Absent: Mooney

Chair Bill Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

No adjustments to the agenda.

No public in attendance for comments. The meeting was not accessible via the Internet.

Motion to approve previous minutes made by Johnathan Vanderhoof, seconded by Deb Delworth. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

The chair states his policy of abstaining from votes except to break ties.

Alyssa Lavoie asks why the chairperson says the NH DRA ([Department of Revenue Administration](#)) recommended this. J. Vanderhoof states he believes the chair elected to vote.

Discussion of Budget Process

Chair explains budget codes. Chair explains the reason for fewer joint sessions with School Board. The first joint meeting with the School Board is scheduled for September 9th, 2025, at 7:00 PM. The administration will discuss the first draft of the budget. A. Lavoie discusses a 0% increase. Chair Ryan expects changes that will result in lower costs, including the Superintendent's position being made part-time. The School Board decides this.

J. Vanderhoof says that fixed costs aren't necessarily fixed. He requests a master schedule of all classes and teachers. Committee agrees this would be helpful.

Phil Brooks asks about federal grants to the states. There is some discussion of how the budget is built.

29 Alyssa Lavoie wants to look at the costs of specific positions and the salaries attached to
30 them. She wants to ask questions for the purpose of understanding. Jonathan Vanderhoof
31 says that when he first started on the committee, it was line items with numbers, and he
32 would like more clarity.

33 Alyssa Lavoie wants more reporting to the Budget Committee about CIP (Capital
34 Improvement Plan) spending. She points to an RSA regarding the posting of the receipt of
35 grant money.

36 Alyssa and Jon have questions about SPED funding.

37 Chair Ryan will communicate questions of the members to the administration. Alyssa
38 Lavoie offers to do this, but chair Ryan explains that communication is to go through the
39 chair for efficiency and clarity.

40 Jonathan Vanderhoof made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Craig Alley.

41 The meeting adjourns at 8:05 PM.

42 Minutes taken by Jennifer Bernet.

43 Respectfully submitted by Bridget Mooney

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