BCEMS School Board
Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2017

Board Members present: Jim Carrien (Committee Chair), Andy McMichael, and Sonya Spaulding
Administrators and Staff present: Stacy Anderson, Lisa Perreault, James Taffel,
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Carrien at 5:45 pm.
Discussion regarding Governor Scott’s proposals was added to the agenda.
There was no public comment.

Upon motion (Spaulding/Carrien) duly adopted, the committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2017 meeting as presented.

Mrs. Perreault outlined the projected FY17 revenue and expenditures. A projected deficit of $17,416.00 was discussed. This included an increase in expenditures by $21,366 offset by increased revenue of $3,950. It was noted that this was a conservative projection.

When asked by the Administration whether they should be conservative in spending for the remainder of the year, Mrs. Perrault agreed. Administrators will also meet to confirm that all expenditures are expensed to the correct line of account.

Mrs. Spaulding mentioned that the SU needs to start talking about how the it can utilize efficiencies to save districts money. This was the goal of Act 166 and specific to consolidation of SPED and busing.

Mr. Taffel will post the voter checklist at the school, so parents and guests can determine if they are a registered voter or not. The school will also provide voter registration forms and absentee ballot request forms for individuals. These forms can be left at the school and the administration will deliver to the Clerk’s office.

Mrs. Spaulding is checking with former Board members regarding the banner. She and Mr. Carrien will coordinate to put up signs a few days before Town Meeting Day.

The committee expressed it’s concern about Governor Scott’s proposal to require School Boards to level fund their FY18 budgets, to move school budget voting to May, to add more liabilities to the education fund, and to cut funding for social service funding. All of which would negatively affect our schools and our children’s education.

The next regular finance committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 23 at 5:30 pm.

No other business.

Upon motion (Spaulding/McMichael) duly adopted, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Carrien, Finance Committee Chair