

Madison Public Schools
Board of Education - Finance Committee
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
5:30 PM
Zoom

MEETING MINUTES

Katie Stein called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members present: Katie Stein, Tom Pellegrino, Happy Marino

Also Present: Dr. Craig Cooke, Gail Dahling-Hench, Stacy Nobitz, Galen Cawley

Recorder: Katie Stein

1. Budget Process Overview & Next Steps

Mrs. Stein spoke to the current budget process and asked Dr. Cooke for suggestions. The following observations were made:

- Timeline is good. Difficult to schedule two board meetings next December (one would fall on December 21). We may need to schedule another budget workshop.
- Need more input from the Board when establishing assumptions, possibly from teachers as well. Change the word “assumptions” to “needs”? “requests”?
- Knowledge of guidelines the Board of Finance has established with their budget early in the process of creating the Board of Education budget. Joint Leadership Meetings could help with that issue.
- Voting on the budget line by line as opposed to the budget as a whole?

Budget presentation to Boards of Finance and Selectmen scheduled for February 17.

The transportation contract has been received and is currently being reviewed by administration. The Board requested that a food services report be placed on the February 9 meeting agenda

2. Public Comment – None

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:51 p.m. by Tom Pellegrino, 2nd by Katie Stein.

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