

Minutes of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education
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Monday, June 3, 2019

In attendance were: Committee members George Bauer, Janet Morgan, Michael Devine, David Lampart. Also in attendance were Wayne McAllister, Dr. Olzacki, Barry Bernabe, and BOE clerk, Natascha Schwartz

The meeting called to order at 6:04pm.

NHS Building Project Financing Discussion - Barry Bernabe, Managing Director of Phoenix Advisors, LLC came back to present three scenarios for the anticipated bond structure for phase 2 of the permanent financing of the Nonnewaug High School renovate-to-new project. Mr. Bernabe advised that as the long term rates are at all-time lows, the Region will benefit greatly from this.

The committee went over the handout which Barry prepared and had a roundtable discussion regarding the three scenarios:

Scenario 1 – Bond the amount of \$24,655,00 over 26 years in July 2019.

Scenario 2 – Bond the amount of \$24,655,000 over 27 years - skip the 1st principal payment.

Scenario 3 – Bond the \$24,655,000 over 26 years – skip 1st principal payment

Mr. Bernabe mentioned that all 3 scenarios assume the \$3M grant hold-back to be issued as BANs (Bond Anticipation Notes) or GANs (Grant Anticipation Notes).

The committee discussed the 3 scenarios in detail and decided that scenario 1 is the best option for the district. Mr. Bauer advised that he will recommend scenario 1 to the BOE at tonight's meeting.

YTD General Fund Financials – Mr. McAllister advised that revenues through May 31, 2019 total \$31.4M, representing 92.37%. He went on to state that the Region will end the year off at approximately \$33.6M and will be coming out with a small surplus this year. He stated that expenditures YTD total \$24.5M, representing approximately 84%.

YTD Building Project Financials – Mr. McAllister advised that YTD revenues total \$41.4M through May 31, 2019 and expenditures total approximately \$39.5M.

2019-2020 Lunch Pricing Discussion – Mr. McAllister briefly touched on this topic advising that the Region needs to raise its pricing. He will have a full analysis at next meeting for a more in depth discussion.

Public Comment - none

Other business - none

Mr. Bauer requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Morgan moved and was seconded by Mr. Devine. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Regional School District 14 Board Clerk

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Natascha Z. Schwartz, Board Clerk 6/5/2019