

MINUTES
Finance Committee
Monday, September 21, 2020
6:00 p.m. via Zoom

Committee Members Present:

Jim Crocker
George Bauer
Jonathan Kapstein
Michael Devine

Also Present:

Dr. Joseph Olzacki, Superintendent
Wayne McAllister
Tina Tanguay
Patrick DiSarro
Patricia Paige, Board Clerk

Call to order

Mr. Crocker called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members of the Finance committee will continue to meet once per month. The meetings will be held on the first board meeting of the month, typically Mondays unless otherwise noted, at 6:00 p.m.

Covid19 Financials

Mr. McAllister and Ms. Tanguay recapped the Covid19 expenses incurred for both instructional and non-instructional classifications in 2019/2020 and to date in 2020/2021. Remote learning platforms were the largest expense incurred in 2019/2020 at a cost \$33,795. Other related expenses included Straight Talk Phones, Elementary Supplies, Disinfectant, PPE, Desk Shields and Sanitizer for a grand total of \$76,611.

To date, the grand total for 2020/2021 is \$62,314. It is anticipated that additional expenses in the amount of \$247,990 will be incurred, which is representative of disinfectant, hand sanitizer, science lab dividers, PPE, desk shields at NHS, laptops, and learning platforms for an anticipated combined total for both periods in the amount of \$386,915. Awaited reimbursements from CRF and ESSER Grants and the state are yet to be applied for a net impact to the budget in the amount of \$65,051. This figure does not include the FEMA reimbursement. The final impact to the budget will be very minimal.

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2019/2020 Financial Wrap up

The 2019/2020 school year was described as challenging and interesting. The budget closed where anticipated. Several projected capital projects slotted for the 20/21 school year were funded out of 19/20 budget due to the realization of savings from a number of accounts and subsequently were removed from the 20/21 budget. A financial recap of the year was offered.

2020/2021 Financial Status

Currently waiting for the October 1st enrollment; expecting the number to reflect a decrease of approximately 14 students in the VoAg program from sending towns. Total enrollment numbers, however, may depict a different picture, but that will not be known until everyone settles in and the numbers are reported on October 1st. There were no significant budget concerns to report at this juncture for the 20/21 school year; status quo.

Federal Food Service Update

The objective is to provide meals to all students for free through December 31st. This strategy will generate revenue from those students who are in school and also for the meals that are being sent home for those who are remote learning. The district will recapture some revenue based on the price of the meal and covered by the Federal Government.

The Nonnewaug High School Renovate-to-New Project Funding through 8/31/2020 was reviewed. The biggest issue of concern is to ensure that all of the eligible costs are covered. Some change orders the committee believed to be eligible were considered ineligible by the state in their initial feedback. This will be revisited for further discussion.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Paige
Board Clerk

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