

# Regional School Unit No. 5

17 West Street, Freeport, Maine 04032

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## Finance Subcommittee Report

Date: November 12, 2013

Committee: Finance Subcommittee

Chair: John Morang

Meeting Date: November 6, 2013

Members Present: Kate Brown, John Ricker, John Morang, and Shannon Welsh

Guests: Seth Thompson, Nancy Drolet, Nancy Dyer, Joel Allumbaugh, and Ken Olmstead

### Agenda Items and Discussion:

#### Updated Technology Plan Review:

Technology Director Seth Thompson presented an update on how the Technology funds have been spent to date in the 2013/2014 school year as well as the revised 3-5 year Technology Plan. In 2013/14 we have invested in 1:1 technology for grades 6-12; purchased 320 MLTI III laptops for use in Elementary schools; created a Read 180 lab at DCS; purchased MS Office 2011 for Educators teaching grades 6-12; as well as replaced virtual server and LCD projectors at FMS. The 2014/15 plan includes continued 1:1 technology for grades 6-12; refreshing laptops for Elementary Educators; replacement of Elementary student equipment; creation of a STEM lab at FHS; as well as classroom audio/visual equipment rollout.

#### Health Insurance Discussion:

Ken Olmsted from Employee Benefits Management and Joel Allumbaugh from National Worksite Benefit Group gave a summary presentation in regards to more affordable ways of providing equal or better health insurance benefits to employees of the district. The discussion included wellness programs, reducing health services costs, health savings plans, and health reimbursement accounts.

#### Bond Representative Discussion:

Tabled until after Town of Freeport withdrawal vote is held on December 17, 2013.

#### Warrant Signing:

Warrants signed.

Next Meeting: December 11, 2013

- Warrant Signing
- Review Audit RFP
- Review Insurance RFP

Submitted by: Kelly Wentworth, Finance Director