

APPROVED January 27, 2022

Dover School Committee
Meeting of November 23, 2021

Members Present: Sara Gutierrez-Dunn
Colleen Burt
Mark Healey
Liz Grossman
Jeff Cassidy

Also Present: Kathleen Smith, Interim Superintendent
Beth McCoy, Assistant Superintendent
Dawn Fattore, Business Manager
Deb Reinemann, Principal

1) Call to Order

Sara Gutierrez-Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm via ZOOM.

2) Community Comments - Rob Andrews commented that he believes the Chickering parent community would support additional staff if necessary to relieve the pressure on the current faculty and all the directions in which they are being pulled.

3) Reports

- Superintendent Update - Kathleen Smith presented an update from her office including vaccination rates, masking at school, and upcoming mobile vaccination clinics.
- Assistant Superintendent - Beth McCoy updated the committee on items she has been working on including: an analysis of the criteria used by Boston Magazine and the US News & World Report to rank districts.
- Principal's Report - Dr. Reinemann reviewed her report and answered questions.
- Warrant Report

4) FY22 Financial Report as of September 30, 2021

- Salaries - there are no changes to report since last month.
- Expenditures - there is a small negative variance in classroom technology due to the additional curriculum related software purchased to support classroom instruction.
- Out-of-District - FY22 Circuit Breakers has been finalized in the amount of \$2,263,336 representing \$1,048,700 for OOD tuition, \$78,036 for transportation expenses, and \$36,600 for in-district special education expenses.

5) Pre-K FY23 Tuition Rates - there will continue to be two options for the Pre-K integrated program: 3 day rate - \$5,885 or 5 day rate - \$10,410 which is a 1% increase from FY22.

Colleen Burt made a motion to approve the tuition rates for FY23 as presented. Liz Grossman seconded,

21-20 VOTE: 5 - 0 via roll call

6) Proposed FY23 Budget - the first draft of the FY23 Budget was presented. The main driver of the budget, as in past years, is salaries. In addition to the annual contractual increases, there are increases in the number of staff. Several OOD placements have not yet been finalized for FY23 so those numbers will be presented in January. Overall the FY23 Budget In-District is an increase of 6.62% over FY22.

Jeff Cassidy made a motion to approve the FY23 version 1.0 Budget as presented. Colleen Burt seconded.

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21-21 VOTE: 4 - 0 via roll call (Mark Healey no longer in attendance)

7) Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes: October 26, 2021 - add Dr. Reinemann as present, remove “as amended” to motion for 21-19 vote.

Liz Grossman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Colleen Burt seconded.

21-22 VOTE: 4 - 0 via roll call

8) Communications

- School Committee Assignments
- Sherborn School Committee Minutes of October 19, 2021
- Regional School Committee Minutes of October 12, 2021

9) Items for January 18, 2022 meeting - FY23 Budget including OOD, FY23 Capital

10) Adjournment at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Davis