

APPROVED MAY 16, 2022

Dover School Committee
Meeting of March 10, 2022

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

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

1) Call to Order

Sara Gutierrez-Dunn called the meeting to order in the Chickering Library at 6:36 pm.

2) Community Comments - none

FY23 Dover Public School Budget Hearing

Dawn Fattore presented the FY23 Budget. FY23 Budget Drivers include: contractual payroll increases of approximately 2-2.25% across all bargaining units in addition to step and lane increases for educators ranging from 4-13%; student enrollment at 26 classroom sections (shifting of grade sections); and continued trend budgeting.

FY23 Out of District Budget Drivers include: projected placements of 21 (vs 26 in FY22).

The proposed FY23 Operating Budget is \$10,369,791 made up of \$7,857,291 in in-district costs and \$2,512,500 in out-of-district costs. This budget is \$126 or 0.0% higher than the FY22 Budget.

3) Discussion and Vote on FY23 Budget

Mark Healey made a motion to approve the FY23 Budget as presented. Jeff Cassidy seconded.
22-04 VOTE: 4 - 0

4) Reports

- Superintendent Update - Kathleen Smith presented an update from her office including the recent mask optional policy implementation and updates on the communication specialist and Central Office/HR audit.
- Principal's Report - Dr. Reinemann reviewed her report and answered questions.
- Warrant Report

5) FY22 Financial Report as of February 28th

- Salaries - Custodial Services reflects a positive variance due to the recent retirement of the long-serving head custodian as well as savings from an open evening custodian position. An Interim Head Custodian has been appointed to serve through June 30th.
- Expenditures - there is nothing to report since the last meeting.
- Out-of-District - there is nothing to report since the last meeting.

6) Annual School Committee Vote on MA School Choice Law

Jeff Cassidy made a motion to have the Dover Public Schools not participate in School Choice program for the 2022-23 school year. Colleen Burt seconded.
22-04 VOTE: 4 - 0

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7) Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes: January 25, 2022

*Mark Healey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Colleen Burt seconded.
22-05 VOTE: 4 - 0*

8) Communications

- Regional School Committee Minutes of December 7, 2021
- Sherborn School Committee Minutes of November 16, 2021

9) Items for May 16, 2022 meeting - Jeff Cassidy requested discussion of the District's active shooter policy/drill procedure at an upcoming meeting.

10) Adjournment at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Davis