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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

6:30 p.m.

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Present: Mrs. Candrea-Floenciani and Ms. Tilton

Others Present: Mr. Falcone, Superintendent, Mrs. Melillo, Assistant Superintendent and Mr. Tencza, Business Manager

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Candrea-Floenciani called the special meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: To entertain a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Mr. Showers, Second Ms. Tilton, any discussion, all in favor, any opposed, any abstentions, motion carries.

3. Budget Update – Mr. Falcone, Superintendent and Mr. Tencza, Business Manager

Mr. Tencza – Update on the 23 – 24 Budget – Report is similar to last month. We continue to spend at expected rates. In November we spent at a slightly lower rate. Based on invoices that were just signed off on, we are catching up in December.

Some Concerning Accounts (overall we should be on target at the end of the year.)

- 1) Legal Fees continue to run over.
- 2) Custodial Salary Line has a deficit due to a budgeting error before the budget was created last year. This will continue throughout the year.
- 3) Salary Lines within Special Education
 - a) Paraprofessional Contract was done after the fact when the budget was done
 - b) New Special Education Teacher

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Other items discussed during the meeting:

- (a) Security Grant Award received in the amount of \$250,350 to upgrade the security
- (b) Technology Equipment Grant - \$79,000 for the purchase of chrome books.
- (c) Board to review draft of the RFT for the irrigation system at the high school.

With respect to the 2024 – 2025 Budget Process

- (1) Budget requests were to be in by December 8th from Department Heads and Building Administration.
- (2) Some items to keep in mind:
 - (a) Contractual obligations including: salary, benefits, transportation, and utilities are all out of our realm (4.3%).
 - (b) Superintendent's recommended budget presented to the Board of Education in January.

Mr. Falcone

Fourth grade class numbers on the rise. Would find a way to hire a fourth grade teacher at approximately \$30,000 for the remainder of the 2023 – 2024 school year to ease the numbers in the classes.

Mr. Tencza

Security Cameras – These will be full replacements and upgrades. Current system is approximately 5 to 10 years' old which makes them obsolete.

Outplacement – Public and Non-Public – These are currently in a deficit. The first excess cost reimbursement payment is not expected until February. Once received, the appropriate numbers will return.

4. Adjournment

MOTION: To entertain a motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion Mrs. Showers, second Ms. Tilton, all in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted



Patricia Piskorski
Recording Secretary