

Finance Committee  
of the  
Hamden Board of Education

February 12, 2024  
Board of Education 60 Putnam Ave. Hamden, CT

1. Call to order and roll call

Chairman Peter Downhour called the meeting to order at 18:01

Roll Call - Committee Members Present: Peter Downhour and Mario Ciccarini. Committee Members Absent: Christopher Piscitelli

Board Members: no additional

Staff Members and guest: Gary Highsmith, Superintendent, Tom Ariola Director of Finance and Operations

2. Public comments – none

3. Information Items:

- a. Update on status of the 2023-2024 budget - Tom Ariola Director of Finance and Operations presented updates on status of 2023-2024 budget. Special Education and transportation expenses are areas of concern. Director Ariola noted areas of savings and grant dollars to make up overages.
- b. Review of the audit and EFS report - Tom Ariola Director of Finance and Operations presented updated information on audit and EFS report. Audit will be forwarded to committee members and presented at the next finance committee meeting.
- c. Review & Update of 2024-2025 Budget, accounts 100-300 - Tom Ariola Director of Finance and Operations presented 2024-2025 budget information on grants and salary increases. Alliance grant will increase next year. Salary increases are contractual and a key budget driver for next year.

4. Adjourned without objection 20:11