

Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee

Meeting of February 6, 2024

Members Present: Judi Miller
Maggie Charron
Kate Potter
Angie Johnson
Colleen Burt
Mark Healey

1) Call to Order

Judi Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the Middle School Library.

2) Community Comments - none

3) Student Council Representatives - the representatives were not able to attend the meeting.

4) Superintendent Comments - Superintendent Beth McCoy spoke about: the recent newsletter from her office; DESE has completed the visit/data collection portion of their District Review; teachers are currently undergoing their assessments; and the HR Director is working to formalize the hiring process for educators. She also reported that John Smith is working with faculty to evaluate the current cell phone policy and suggest updates if necessary.

5) Financial Reports

- Warrant Report
- FY24 Monthly Report
 - Revenues: there are no changes since the last report.
 - Salaries: there are no changes since the last report.
 - Expenditures: there are no changes since the last report.
 - Capital Projects Update: the project bid for the Roof Air Handlers Replacement is scheduled to be posted on February 28th with a March 27th bid opening. It is likely there will need to be additional funding provided to complete the project. Also, the bleachers for the Bleacher/Press Box Renovation have been ordered and the foundation work went out to bid in late January with a bid opening date of February 14th.

6) Discussion Items

- FY25 Budget - V2.0 of the FY25 Budget reflects an overall reduction of \$460,682. The Revenue adjustments include: increase to Chapter 70 of \$26,191; decrease to Chapter 71 of \$64,496; and utilization of E&D (apply FY24 revenue surpluses to FY25) of \$230,000. Expenditure adjustments include: salary reductions due to Educator retirements \$180,000; MS Counselors assume MS Academic Coordinator responsibilities \$36,000 reduction; reduce SPED EAs based on projected student needs \$101,100; decrease in healthcare costs based on projected rate increase (10% vs original budget of 12%) \$155,000; and approval of additional positions/increase in ratios in Appendix C \$11,418. The revised FY25 Budget is \$28,877,195, an increase of \$904,655 or 3.23% over FY24.
- Policy: METCO Representative to the School Committee - First read

7) Action Items

8) Consent Items

Approved 3.5.2024

- Approval of Minutes: December 5, 2023
- Sports Medicine Policy Manual: 2nd read for approval

*Kate Potter made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Maggie Charron seconded.
23-02 VOTE: 6 - 0*

9) Informational Items

- DSHS Newsletter
- DSMS Newsletter
- Dover School Committee Minutes of November 21, 2023

10) Items for February 14, 2024 DS Regional School Committee Meeting - FY25 Budget

11) Adjournment at 7:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Davis