Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Region 14 Board of Education
Budget Workshop #1
Monday, March 11, 2024; 6:00 p.m.
Mitchell Elementary School
Flanders Room
Official Minutes – Board Approved – Monday, April 1, 2024

Present:
Chris Matta, Presiding Board Member
Carol Ann Brown
Chris Griffin
Alice Jones
Michael Carbonneau
Caren Lipinski
Tikva Rose

Absent:
Jim Crocker

Also Present:
Brian Murphy, Superintendent
Tina Tanguay, Director of Finance and Operations

I. Call to Order
Chris Matta called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

III. Board of Education Workshop #1

A. Discussion of the Superintendent's Proposed 2024/2025 Budget
Superintendent Murphy highlighted two

Board members were once again asked to review the proposed budget and to reach out to Tina Tanguay with any questions.

Superintendent Murphy provided an update on two items:
Agriscience Funding Proposal:
1. New legislation/Agriscience Funding.

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The state budget, which passed in June, included a cap on ASTE tuition beginning in the fiscal year 2025 of 58% of the previous year's per pupil tuition for in-district and sending district students. The state budget also included an increase to the ASTE per-pupil grant of 7.2 million so that if districts were to experience a tuition shortfall, monies from the grant would be used to offset any losses and thus make them whole.

2. Bethlehem Elementary School/Street Signage
   It is believed that signage would ease some of the congestion in front of the school during drop off/pick up times. The cost is approximately $20,000. Discussions were had on the practicality of the signage, impact on the town's aesthetics, and funding resources.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Paige
Board Clerk

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