

BOURNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Draft Minutes of Budget, Facilities, Technology, Safety Sub-Committee of September 6, 2023.

Paul called the sub-committee meeting to order at 5:30. Members in attendance were Paul McMaster, Maureen Fuller, Kendellynn Gagne, Jordan Geist, and Chris Oliver. Dr. Zhou joined around 6PM.

I. Fiscal FY 24 Budget

A. Cherry Sheet Review: Jordan reviewed the Cherry Sheet appropriations to Bourne noting the School Choice appropriation increased from last year.

B. FY 24 Grants: McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance, Emergency Support (Supplies/ChromeBooks) and Transportation to accommodate our newcomers to BPS

C. Discussion of Fees:

1. Proposed to increase Lunch and Breakfast fees during FY24 for second lunch since first lunch and breakfast are free of charge.

- BHS and BMS lunches would increase from \$3.00 to \$3.50
- BHS and BMS breakfast would increase from \$1.50 to \$2.00
- BIS and BES lunches would increase from \$2.75 to \$3.00
- BIS and BES breakfast would increase from \$1.50 to \$2.00
- Adult lunches would increase from \$3.50 to \$4.00
- Adult Breakfast would increase from \$2.00 to \$2.50

Prices have not increased since before the pandemic, so an adjustment is due to offset inflation increases and recommended by the USDA Paid Lunch Equity.

2. Proposed to eliminate all athletic fees in FY25. We are the only non-regional school in the SCC that charges fees.

3. Proposed to eliminate BHS drama fee in FY24. They have revenue from ticket sales and advertising.

4. Proposed to eliminate BHS transportation fees in FY25 for Bourne residents. School Choice caregivers will pay \$75 per student with a family cap of \$150.

5. Proposed to increase PreK tuition in FY25 from \$1750 to \$1850 per year which amounts to about \$11.50/day. Tuition has not increased in over 7 years.

II. Student Activity Accounts:

A. Proposed that Administration direct 95% of the interest into a general activity account.

B. School committee closeouts of accounts inactive for 3 years or more will be discussed at the next BFTS meeting.

III. Facilities Update:

A. Jordan applauded the efforts of the custodial/Maintenance staff for a smooth opening.

B. Trane completed many improvements in our schools

- lighting retrofits (BES)
- building envelope upgrades
- building automation systems
- HVAC upgrades and automated (BHS)
- D Wing roof replacement (BHS)

C. Transportation: 18 routes providing service to 1800 students. Sue Downing applauded for establishing/adjusting routes as needed.

IV. Town Shelter System:

The Town has recommended that BES become a Town Shelter to replace the Community Building which is in a flood zone.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25. The remaining two agenda items - Tech Update and Safety and Security - will be discussed at the next tentatively scheduled meeting on September 20.

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen Fuller