



TIMBERLANE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting

December 28, 2023

7:00 PM

Sue Sherman, Chair

Michael Mascola, Vice Chair

Call to Order 7:03PM

Roll Call taken by Heather Greenfield

Present: Sue Sherman, Sierra Dolce, Liz Kosta, Julie Hammond, Karen White, Mark Sherwood, Michael Mascola

Not in Attendance: Kathryn Consalvo, Sabrina Alberg

Administrators Present: Maria Watkins Business Administrator/CFO, Justin Krieger Interim Superintendent

Michael Mascola - Lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Mark Sherwood motions to approves the minutes from December 14, 2023.

Liz Kosta seconds the motion.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 14, 2023

5-0-2

In Favor: Sue Sherman, Sierra Dolce, Liz Kosta, Karen White, Julie Hammond

Abstained: Sue Sherman, Michael Mascola

Sue Sherman makes a motion to go into nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3 Paragraph II (l) consideration of legal advice provided by our legal counsel.

Liz Kosta seconds the motion.



Return from nonpublic.

Mr. Mascola makes a motion to increase the tuition private account line, 100.1200.564.00.00.0.00000 by \$500k. Putting that proposed budget line at \$3,610,000.

Mrs. Hammond seconds the motion.

Motion to accept increasing the tuition private account line by \$500k.

6-0-1

In Favor: Sue Sherman, Michael Mascola, Sierra Dolce, Mark Sherwood, Karen White, Julie Hammond

Abstained: Liz Kosta

Correspondence–

Mr. Sherwood received an email from parents of Sandown students requesting that we look into generators for all the schools regarding safety concerns for her children.

Mrs. White received an email regarding funds added and taken out of the budget.

Mrs. Watkins discusses the formula in which creates the default budget.

Delegates and Individuals –

Jack Sapia wants to discuss CIP. There were years where we haven't invested anything into our buildings. He recognizes that these are difficult times, but asks to continue the trend in taking care of our building and making them safe and conducive to learning. He thanks the committee for their hard work and wants to keep the momentum going.

Discussion on previous meetings-

Mr. Sherwood begins a discussion on behalf of the school board. The school board would like to ask the committee to reconsider removing the \$500k from the capital reserves.

Maria discusses the building assessments that were done 2 years ago, the assessment came back with \$150 million in repairs that need to be done.



Mr. Sherwood brings up the Atkinson belfry as an example of projects that have not been invested in. Makes a point that had we invested in keeping up with the maintenance we wouldn't be needing to spend \$750k to need to completely restore it.

Mr. Mascola starts a discussion about the school boards recommendation to not take \$500k out of capital reserves. He wants to know where we could cut \$1 million in the budget to neutralize the \$1 million we are putting back into it.

Mr. Krieger states that cutting any more would result in cutting people and programs.

Mr. Mascola asks if Timberlane is heavy on the employment side for what we do compared to other schools similar to us.

Mr. Krieger responds that it is not.

Julie discusses that we asked the administration to find \$2.5 million dollars. Julie wants to take a good look and leave some of these things in. We are still looking at being able to reduce it by \$1 million.

Mr. Sherwood makes a motion to add the \$500k back into the capital improvement line 100.4600.450.00.00.0.00000.

Julie seconds the motion.

Mr. Mascola motions to amend Mr. Sherwood's motion and wants the administration to find \$500k to remove from the budget to neutralize the \$500k being added back into the capital reserves line, without removing any money capital improvements.

Liz seconds.

Motion to accept Mr. Mascola's amendment to find \$500k in cuts to neutralize \$500k being added back into the budget for Capital improvements.

2-5-0

In Favor: Michael Mascola, Liz Kosta

Opposed: Sierra Dolce, Mark Sherwood, Karen White, Julie Hammond, Sue Sherman



Motion to accept adding \$500k back into the capital improvement line.

4-3-0

In Favor: Sierra Dolce, Mark Sherwood, Karen White, Julie Hammond, Sue Sherman

Opposed: Michael Mascola, Liz Kosta

Justin discusses the \$500k being added back into the private tuition line. We are taking a cautionary approach to the new laws and legislation and how those rules will be written and the execution of them.

Administrators Reports-

Mr. Krieger discusses that the School Board ratified two CBA's, one for the TTA and the TAAM for technology staff integration.

Passed Phase II of the lease and improved the CIP list.

Reports of Committees –

New Business –

Warrant articles discussion on when to make recommendations for the warrant articles.

Vote recommendations after Public Hearing

Mr. Sherwood makes a motion to approve the proposed budget of \$89,370,265

Julie seconds.



Motion to accept the \$89,370,265 proposed budget:

6-1-0

In Favor: Sue Sherman, Karen White, Sierra Dolce, Liz Kosta, Kristi Auclair, Julie Hammond

Opposed: Michael Mascola

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24PM by Sue Sherman

Minutes submitted by: Heather Greenfield

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