

Timberlane Regional School District Budget Committee

Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, and Sandown

Regular Meeting
December 20, 2004
7:00 p.m.

SAU 55
Plaistow, New Hampshire

Mr. Tarushka, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.; the clerk called the roll.

Present: Mr. Balanoff, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Meehan, Mr. Paone, Mrs. O'Neil,
Mr. Tarushka, Mrs. Zerba, and Mr. Stokinger. Mrs. Quigley arrived at 7:55 p.m.

Absent: Mrs. Hess

On a motion by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Mrs. O'Neil;

Voted: To approve the minutes of November 9, 2004, deleting one paragraph detailing revenues.

Passed: 6 approved and 3 abstentions – Mrs. Zerba, Mr. Paone, and Mrs. Meehan

On a motion by Mr. Balanoff and seconded by Mrs. Lambert

Voted: To approve the minutes of November 22, 2004

Passed: 6 approved and 3 abstentions – Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Zerba, and Mrs. Quigley

Correspondence - None

Delegations and Individuals - None

Reports of Committees

a. Budget Committee Members – None

b. School Board Representative - None

Unfinished Business

a. 2005-2006 Budget – The final draft, bringing the budget to just under \$50m, was discussed by the committee. The default budget was explained and discussed. Mrs. Zerba asked the reason for an additional bus. Mr. Stokinger stated it was for the far corners of Danville and Sandown to cut down on both the numbers on the bus and the amount of time it takes to get students to school.

Mrs. Zerba expressed her concern the additional Atkinson teacher, cut from the budget, would be needed. She also brought up the fact every elementary principal expressed the importance of having a full time media specialist in their schools knowing the positions would be cut by Dr. McDonald. After a discussion by the committee:

On a motion by Mrs. O'Neil and seconded by Mrs. Zerba;

Voted: To add one media specialist and five additional days at the cost of \$49,999, plus benefits, as originally proposed. This position is not to change the bottom line of the operating budget.

Passed: Unanimously

The warrant articles for kindergarten and the upgrading of the ventilation system was discussed. Mrs. O'Neil asked for the revised copy of the warrant articles prior to the public hearing.

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New Business

On a motion by Mrs. Quigley, seconded by Mrs. Miller;

Voted: To put forth the proposed budget of \$49,994.961 to the public hearing.

Passed: 9 Approved, 1 one opposed, Mr. Balanoff

Responding to a question from Mrs. O'Neil; Mrs. Miller stated she is planning to run for the school board this March and Mr. Tarushka will not be returning next year.

Other Business – None

Future Agenda and Dates

Public Hearing is scheduled for January 13, 2004, 7:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center

Budget Committee meeting will immediately follow the Public Hearing

Deliberative Session is scheduled for February 5, 2004, 7:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center

On a motion by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rothwell
Clerk