

Finance Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2016

Minutes

Present: Leroy Walker, Dr. Elaine Craghead, Kristan Bagley Jones, Mary Gormley, Dr. Glenn Pavlicek, Janet Sheehan, Margaret Gibbons

Meeting called to order at 7:15am

FY18 Budget Planning

Dr. Craghead asked if there had been any movement on the Community Schools proposal. Assistant Superintendent Pavlicek replied there was no movement yet, but perhaps by the next meeting that will be available.

With regard to the 1st Quarter Report, Assistant Superintendent Pavlicek stated that the FY17 budget grant column will change as they receive word on state and federal grants. The general fund reflects revised offsets. Assistant Superintendent Pavlicek explained the various categories and how Medicaid reimbursement impacts reporting of special education aides. For most expenditure categories, we expect to see heavy spending given the time of year, especially in instructional materials and in technology because we pay up front. He also informed the group that for the most part upgrades in technology are complete. Library scanners are to be installed today. The phone system is in but not reflected in the budget.

Ms. Bagley Jones inquired about the number of out-of-district special education students. She asked if 54 is correct. Assistant Superintendent Pavlicek said that there is a meeting coming up this week with the Special Education Department to go through all of this information. Ms. Bagley Jones asked if they were seeing a trend with regard to out-of-district placements. Superintendent Gormley replied that they are finding that they cannot provide everything that some of these children need such as wrap-around services. Assistant Superintendent Pavlicek added that they had assumed an increase in next year's budget for out of district placements.

The Subcommittee asked for a grant update at next week's meeting. Also, next week's agenda items will include SEL Job Description and fees (Milton Summer Enrichment and Driver's Ed.)

Motion was made to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40am.