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Regular Meeting/Public Hearing
Finance Committee Minutes
March 11, 2021

Present: Chairman Thomas J. Kane Jr, Vice-Chair Dr. Maureen Ward, David Alexander, Charles C. Corts, Keith Kent, Phillip Levine

Absent: Douglas Delay,

Guests: Dr. Sheila Harrity- Superintendent-Director of Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District; Tammy Crockett- District Directory Administrator

List of Documents Presented at Meeting:

- Monty Tech 2022 Budget
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6:30PM: Chairman Thomas Kane called the Finance Committee meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Harrity started the presentation by listing a few highlights from the past year. She highlighted the challenges of providing the hands-on educational experience that is the core of the Vocational Technical School program in the context of the constraints of the coronal virus pandemic.

Ms. Crockett presented an overview of the proposed FY22 Monty Tech budget including a detailed explanation of the formula for assessing costs to the 18 communities that make up the Montachusett Vocational Technical School region.

The proposed overall budget for the regional school for the 2022 school year is \$29,114,049 which is an increase of \$299,184 over the current year, an increase of 1.04%.

The assessments to the member communities is \$11,278,600, an increase of \$295,834, a 2.6% increase.

Winchendon's assessment will decrease for the FY22 budget, due to a decrease in enrollment from 130 students in the current school year to 116 students next year. Ms. Crockett explained that more communities are using their allotted enrollment slots which means that there are fewer "extra" enrollment openings that in the past several years. The combination of Winchendon's required minimum contribution, transportation assessment and capital assessment for the FY22 school year is \$783,962 which is \$52,693 less than the current year assessment.

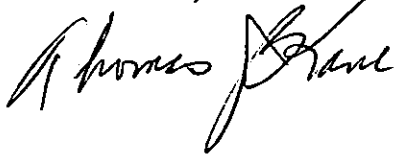
Mr. Kane complimented Ms. Crockett for the thorough explanation of how the budget is developed and how community assessments are determined.

Mr. Corts motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Kent. The board unanimously voted aye.
Alexander (Y) Corts (Y) Kent (Y) Levine (Y) Ward (Y) Kane (Y) 6-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Thomas Kane, Finance Committee Chair

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