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School Committee Chair: Thompson

School Committee Meeting

March 17, 2022 - 6:00 pm

Town Hall - 2nd Floor Auditorium.

Attendance:

Larry Murphy, Chair; Karen Kast-McBride, Vice-Chair; Ryan Forsythe; Mike Barbaro;
Greg Vine; Thad King, Superintendent; Robert Mullin, Director of Finance and
Operations

1. Call to order

L. Murphy reads audio visual disclosure.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment: None

4. Consent Agenda: None

5. New Business:

a. Budget Hearing:

T. King presents Proposed FY23 Budget. Discussion is had.

G. Vine moves that the School Committee vote to approve the FY23 Budget as presented by the Superintendent. Seconded by M. Barbaro. R. Forsythe thanks the administration for presenting a prudent, balanced, sustainable budget with time for the School Committee Members to review. He notes improvements with this budget. He states that he will be abstaining from the vote to approve as he has a family member who works for the district. G. Vine thanks the superintendent for the budget he put together and for being prudent in the use of ESSER funds. L. Murphy calls for vote. K. Kast-McBride votes aye. R. Forsythe abstains. M. Barbaro abstains. G. Vine votes aye. Chair votes aye. The budget is accepted and passed as presented by the superintendent.

6. Old Business:

a. Subcommittee Representatives:

R. Forsythe asks that alternates be appointed to subcommittees in the current fiscal

year and future years. He presents existing school committee policy and asks that the board consider a motion to approve subcommittee alternates for all subcommittees to include all other members of the board in the case that extenuating circumstances require a substitution.

R. Forsythe moves that the School Committee vote to approve the subcommittee alternates as proposed by the Chair and proposes that the Chair consider assigning each member of the School Committee to each subcommittee as an alternate. Seconded by M. Barbaro. Vote is unanimous.

7. Future Agenda Items:

Future agenda items will include Athletics Fees, a breakdown of Murdock Trust and ESSER III funds, as well as School Committee Meeting frequency.

8. School Committee Closing Comments:

M. Barbaro thanks the Superintendent for putting together a full and comprehensive budget proposal that restores positions in the district. He feels it is important to increase our staff in services, music and art.

R. Forsythe thanks school principals, the Superintendent, the staff and the Administrative Office for putting together a great budget that will benefit the district.

K. Kast-McBride echoes everyone's thanks but reminds everyone that COVID is still out there and asks that people are careful.

L. Murphy welcomes R. Mullins as the new business manager.

R. Mullin thanks the committee for its support.

9. Adjournment:

M. Barbaro makes Motion to adjourn. Seconded by K. Kast-McBride. Vote is unanimous. Meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted: Liz Latoria
Liz Latoria, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Documents Attached: None