



NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ashby – Pepperell – Townsend, Massachusetts

MINUTES – March 10, 2023

Virtual

PRESENT

Chairperson	Lisa Martin	Member, At-Large
	Randee Rusch	Member, At-Large
	Susan Robbins	Member, Townsend
	William Hackler	Citizen Member

ALSO PRESENT

Brad Morgan	Superintendent of Schools
Gary Burboa-Reese	Assistant Superintendent
Nancy Haines	Business Manager
Robin Eibye	Recording Secretary
Jeremy Hamond	Director of Information Technology
Brad Brooks	Director of Special Education
Craig Hansen	School Committee

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Lisa Martin opened the meeting at 8:01 a.m. Ms. Martin announced the Committee was meeting in a virtual setting, fully remote via teleconferencing, practicing social distancing, and in accordance with the Governor’s suspension of specific open meeting laws.

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Susan Robbins	-
William Hackler	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Brad Morgan	Yes	Nancy Haines	Yes
Robin Eibye	Yes		

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

- *William Hackler motioned, and Randee Rusch seconded to approve the Finance Committee meeting minutes dated March 2, 2023, as presented.*

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Susan Robbins	-
William Hackler	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed 3/0/0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None

OLD BUSINESS – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN

1. FY23 Budget
 - None
2. FY24 Budget
 - Superintendent Morgan said he and the Business Manager, Nancy Haines attended the Town of Pepperell’s Finance Committee meeting.
 - Mr. Morgan said District Administration had concerns with needing overrides in all three member towns, the fact that all towns cannot afford the override, and the timelines.
 - A discussion ensued about new administrators, student schedules, and state funding.
 - Mr. Morgan said because the GIC health insurance costs came in lower than expected so the budget would be reduced by \$200,000.
 - Mr. Morgan said the additional principal and Special Education requests would also be removed from the budget.
 - Mr. Morgan said Special Education liaisons would have equal student loads.
 - The committee talked about reductions, their impact on students, and ESSER funding.

NEXT MEETING

- The Committee agreed to meet next on Thursday, March 16th at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- *At 8:35 a.m., William Hackler motioned, and Randee Rusch seconded to adjourn.*

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Susan Robbins	-
William Hackler	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed 3/0/0.

Documents Reviewed / Referred to:

- 2023 03-10 Finance Agenda
- 2023 03-02 Finance Minutes
- FY24 Revenue Projection 3-6-23 6.27%

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Eibye, Recording Secretary

APPROVED: March 16, 2023
