

Finance Committee Meeting March 1, 2021

Present

Finance Committee

Mark Trudell (Chair)
Dennis Crowley
Josette Burke
Brian Bain
Jeff Fisher
Andrew Flowers
Kathleen Foley Greulich
Allyson Hamilton
Steve Hendricks
Susan Lawson
Lucy Romanowiz
Douglas Shea
Mark Sullivan
Lisa Van der Linden

Roll Call 14 in attendance

Additional

Jim Johnson	Bridget Gough	John Queally	Nancy Gallivan	Mike Friscia
Lisa Sinkus	Jodi Cuneo	William Hahn	Patrick Shield	Bill Buckley

Bridget Gough

FY21 Overview – Discussion on impact of COVID on the Walpole Schools, what is needed moving forward into the next year

FY22 Budget Discussion – New positions needs to be filled in all levels of the district
Discussion on the mental health of our students, having someone qualified to handle this for our students. The positions that are prioritized this year where prioritized last and couldn't fulfill them due to COVID.

Some obstacles for us regarding revolving accounts

Nutrition programs – will we still continue to get the free food or will have to charge for the food next year?

Building rentals – basketball loss \$200, 000

Athletic programs fee that students play, tickets sales, transportation to games

Extended Day programs are low due to COVID

Comprehensive budget – discussion on medical services, homeless population, reimbursement

Transportation

Extended Day

Parking

Question transportation – now able to fill the busses if needed with masks, we are able to offer

Question – Elm Street School electric bill is higher due to A/C

COVID Funding – Money is only to be used for COVID expenses. We were in a great position with the Chrome books before the COVID hit and now we are able to replace the older books, all through the COVID Relief fund. Some towns never had chrome books for students before COVID

Motion forward for favorable action on Administrators Budget \$49,048,775.00 - Dennis Crowley
2nd – Doug Shea

3-10-1 (Josette Burke, Allyson Hamilton, Andrew Flowers, Steve Hendricks, Susan Lawson, Jeff Fisher, Lucy Romanowiz, Brian Bain, Lisa Van der Linden, Mark Trudell – NO)
Kathleen Foley Greulich - Abstain

Next meeting for this discussion to be scheduled for Thursday March 18, 2021

Minutes hold off until Monday

Motion to adjourn – Dennis Crowley

2nd Susan Lawson

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