

Minutes of the Board of Education Resource Management & Business Operations Committee Meeting held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT.

Attendance: Kara DiBartolo

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, J. Variale

B. Foster, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mr. Scott Clayton:	Present
Mr. Bill Foster:	Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin, Alternate:	Absent
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex. Officio:	Present

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1. Finance

1.A. Financial Update

1.A.1. Quarterly Spending Report 2022-2023

Mrs. Variale, Dir. of Finance and Business Operations, reviewed the quarterly spending report with the committee. The report will be posted on the district's website as required by law.

1.A.2. End of Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Mrs. Variale reviewed the preparations for the End of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 with the committee.

Move to recommend the Board of Education moves to direct the administration to first make accounting adjustments as needed to properly close the books and records and that remaining funds be directed towards the above goals and issues. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

1.B. Budget Transfers

Mrs. Variale reviewed the budget transfers with the committee.

Move to recommend approval of budget transfers to the full Board. Passed with a motion by Mr. Daniel Nostin and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

1.C. 2023-2024 Tuition Rates

Mrs. Variale reviewed the recommended 2023-2024 tuition rates with the committee.

Move to recommend the Bethel Board of Education sets the tuition rates for non-resident students attending Bethel Public Schools for the 2023/2024 school year as stated in the memo. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

2. Food Services

2.A. Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act

CSDE requires annual certification by the Board of Education for participation in the Healthy Foods Certification Program. In participating, Bethel can only serve beverages, foods, snacks, and à la carte items that have been specifically approved by the CSDE. For participation, the District receives an additional 10 cents reimbursement from the State on each meal served. This is important to the financial success of our program.

Move to recommend to the Board for approval as outlined in the May 4, 2023, Resource Management and Business Operations committee meeting. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

2.B. 2023-2024 Meal Prices

Mrs. Variale informed the committee the proposal is to maintain current school meal prices during 2023-2024 as the non-profit Food Service account is sufficiently funded at this time from CSDE assistance allocations. Maintaining current pricing will help ease families back into paying for meals after two years of free meals for all due to Covid. To set the price for reduced-priced breakfast at \$0.00 instead of \$0.30 for the year 2023-2024. This will continue to encourage participation in the breakfast program and ensure that our neediest students are fed each morning. The cost to the board should be less than \$3,000

Move to recommend to the Board for approval the three motions as outlined in the May 4, 2023, Resource Management & Business Operations committee meeting. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

3. New Business

None.

4. Public Comment

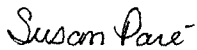
None.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 7:06 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Pare
Board Recorder