

APPROVED MAY 16, 2016

Dover School Committee
Meeting of March 3, 2016

Members Present: Dawn Fattore
Lauren Doherty
Adrian Hill
Brooke Matarese
Also Present: Bill McAlduff, Interim Superintendent
Terry Green, Director of Special Education
Laura Dayal, Principal
Deb Reinemann, Assistant Principal

1) Call to Order

Ms. Fattore called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm in the Chickering Library.

- 2) **FY17 Budget** - Mr. McAlduff presented additional adjustments to the proposed FY17 Budget: decrease of \$15,700 to the PK Aide Salaries due to use of increased projected revenue from the PK Revolving Fund; and decrease of \$8,910 to SPED Building Leadership due to Administration removing request for 0.6 FTE SPED Director Administrative Assistant for a total reduction of \$24,610. The total FY17 Proposed Budget is \$9,915,962.
- 3) **Public Hearing on FY17 Budget** - Ms. Fattore opened the Public Hearing at 6:41 pm and reviewed the presentation on the FY17 Budget starting with a review of the budget development process in light of increasing enrollment at Chickering. The FY17 Budget drivers include: 24 classroom sections for a projected enrollment of 452 students (plus 15 Pre-K students); salary increases of \$165,000, addition of one classroom

	FY17 Proposed	\$ change over FY16	% change over FY16
Chickering School	\$6,720,035	\$170,034	2.60%
OOD Tuition & Transportation			
Pre-K to 5th	\$460,377	\$20,008	4.54%
6th to 22 yrs	\$2,735,550	\$8,375	0.31%
Total	\$3,195,927	\$28,383	0.9%
Total FY17 Dover School Budget	\$9,915,962	\$198,417	2.04%

teacher and expansion for the FLES program to include the 3rd grade for \$92,500 offset by \$45,000 of lower salaries due to two retirements and use of the Pre-K revolving fund of \$45,700 to fund educational assistants salaries. The Out-of-District budget assumes 36 placements and a 3% tuition rate increase.

Ms. Doherty made a motion to approve the FY17 Dover School Budget in the amount of \$9,915,962. Mr. Hill seconded.

16-04 VOTE; 4 - 0

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4) Reports

a) Chickering School Update - Ms. Dayal provided her report and Ms. Reinemann shared the plans for the preschool playground. The estimated cost of the playground is \$55,000 and will be raised through parent fundraising.

5) School Improvement Plan 2015-16 Update - Ms. Dayal gave an update on each of the goals of this year's School Improvement Plan.

6) FY16 Monthly Financial Report - Mr. McAlduff provided the Status of Appropriations as of February 29, 2016. The salary variance of \$117,385, once adjusted for the non-encumbered salary lines is \$66,252 or 1.04% of the budgeted salary total. This variance is up from the previously projected budget variance of \$44,255 or \$17,556 due to the anticipated payment from the two districts for the .2 FTE shared cost of the Fine Arts Department Chair. The balances of the special revenue funds were provided.

7) Update on Temperature Control Study - Twelve RFP packets were distributed to potential consultants and three responses were received by the due date. The Capital Sub-Committee reviewed the proposals and chose the firm of C. A. Crowley Engineering Inc. to be the consultant for this project. Final documents are being processed.

8) March 1st Enrollment Report - Mr. McAlduff provided the enrollment report as of March 1, 2016 including enrollment and revenue projections (\$45,700) for the preschool.

9) Student Activities Fund - An outside audit of the Student Activities Fund is required every three years. The last outside audit prior to 2015 was 2010 but will be scheduled for every three years going forward. There will be internal audits in the off years and the School Committee will need to approve activities that are run through the account annually. There was also initial discussion about the balance that should be kept in the account and possible uses for any surplus funds.

Ms. Doherty made a motion to accept the provided reports for the Student Activities Fund for FY15. Mr. Hill seconded.

16-05 VOTE: 4 - 0

10) MA School Choice - Massachusetts General Law Chapter 76, Section 12 requires local school committees to vote annually as to whether or not the district will participate in School Choice.

Mr. Hill made a motion to have the Dover Public Schools not participate in School Choice for the 2016-17 school year. Ms. Matarese seconded.

16-06 VOTE: 4 - 0

11) Consent Agenda

a) Meeting minutes of January 19 and January 27, 2016

b) Donation Acceptance: Dover Gas - \$500 from Michael Sassine of Dover Gas to be used to benefit of the student body at Chickering.

Ms. Doherty made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Hill seconded.

16-07 VOTE: 4 - 0

10) Communications

a) Dover Sherborn Regional School Committee minutes: January 5, 2016

b) Sherborn School Committee minutes of January 12, 2016

Ms. Fattore announced that she will not be running for another term.

11) Adjournment at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Davis