



**BELCHERTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCE & BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
March 20, 2017**

PLACE: Swift River Elementary School Library
TIME: 6 pm
SUBCOMMITTEE: Dr. Thomas Laughner, Chair (present); Mr. Jeff Charron, Member (present)
ADMINISTRATION: Ms. Karol G. Coffin, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Edward Dunn, School Business Manager; Mr. Brian Cameron, Asst. Superintendent/Dir. of SSS

Visitors: Brian Gibbon

Minutes

- I. Call Subcommittee meeting to order
Dr. Laughner called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- II. Public comment regarding items on the agenda
There were no public comments regarding items on the agenda.
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 27, 2017, Finance & Budget Minutes
Motion: Mr. Charron moved to approve the minutes as presented
Second: Dr. Laughner
Vote: 2,0,0
- IV. Items for discussion and action
 - A. FY 18 Budget
Superintendent Coffin and Mr. Dunn presented the breakdown of payroll positions in district. These numbers are just salary do not include benefits.
 - 67% teachers
 - 9% paraprofessionals
 - 9% administrators
 - 5% custodians
 - 5% other
 - 3% secretary/clerical
 - 2% nursesNot on the list; food service (it is self supporting), business office (contracted service)
Superintendent Coffin and Mr. Dunn showed the breakdown of the administrative positions.
 - 53% building admin
 - principals
 - vice-principals
 - dean of student/athletic director

- 26% central office
 - superintendent
 - assit superintendent
 - director of teach/learning
 - director of building & grounds
- 21% support
 - data admin
 - 3 team leaders

The committee discussed the FY 18 prioritized recommendations.

- technology
- mandated curriculum
- individual school recommendations

The committee discussed the amount, \$1,255,955, that will be asked of the town over level funded from last year.

There was a Chapter 70 increase of \$47,400.

Discussion about athletic fees and parking/trans fees were tabled.

V. Subcommittee correspondence

A. March 20, 2017, Agenda

B. February 27, 2017 Finance & Budget Minutes

VI. Adjourn

Motion: Mr. Charron moved to adjourn at 6:47 pm


Second: Dr. Laughner

Vote: 2,0,0

Respectfully submitted by,

Ramona Griffin
Non-Confidential Recording Secretary to the School Committee

School Committee members' signatures:


_____, Thomas Laughner, Chair


_____, Jeff Charron, Member

Vision Statement

Belchertown students, both individually and collaboratively, will be innovative thinkers, problem solvers and unique, creative contributors to their community and the world.

Mission Statement

In the pursuit of excellence and the development of life-long learners, it is the mission of the Belchertown Public Schools to challenge and engage all students in a respectful, positive learning environment that fosters personal, social and academic growth in order to achieve success in a global society.

The Belchertown Finance & Budget Subcommittee conducts its business in open session pursuant to Chapter 30A, Section 21 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The public is welcome to comment only on items on the agenda for this meeting as noted above. If you wish to address the School Committee regarding an item not on the agenda for this meeting, please contact the Superintendent of Schools at 413.323.0423 or via email at superintendent@belchertownps.org to determine the best way to address your concerns.

