

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
Budget Workshop
Har-Bur Middle School Learning Center
26 LYON ROAD, BURLINGTON, CT 06013
Monday, February 29, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Phillip Penn, Chairman
Paul Omichinski
Thomas Fausel, Vice Chairman
Corey Rewenko
John Goodno (arrived 7:07 p.m.)
John Vecchitto
Bruce Guillemette
Susan Baccaro
Eleanor Parente

Absent:

Brooke Joiner

Also Present:

Alan Beitman, Superintendent
Cheri Burke – Director of Student Learning
Susan Laone, Director of Finance and Operations
Patricia George, Recording Secretary

- I. Call to Order:
Board Chair, Phillip Penn, called to order the budget workshop at 7:03 p.m.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance
Phillip Penn led the pledge of allegiance

- III. Communications:
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 1. Update of the 2016/2017 Estimate of Expenses

Superintendent Beitman provided a brief overview of the Estimate of Expenses. To date, the dollar increase over the 15/16 Estimate of Expenses is \$1,022,752 or 2.69%.

At this juncture, Burlington's estimated share of the Region 10 increase at 65.79% is \$672,869 or 1.77%. Harwinton's share of the Region 10 increase at 34.21% is \$349,883 or .92%.

A recommendation included in the 16/17 Estimate of Expensive is the elimination of four certified staff positions, 1 at Harwinton Consolidated School due to lower enrollment, 1 at Lake Garda School and 2 in the fifth grade level at Har-Bur Middle School. Superintendent Beitman did caution the Board, that in subsequent years, additional staff may need to be hired.

The district has realized four retirements to date.

Proposed New Funds total \$250,072. New Funds recommended to the Board total \$231,000 and include the grades 6-8 Bridges Math Program, Reader's Workshop for PreK-8, an Enrichment Specialist K-4, STEM Program Enhancements, .3 Clerical Support for nurse at Harwinton Consolidated School, upgrade Energy Management System and repair of concrete plaza at Lewis Mills High School.

Athletics

David Francalanga, the Athletic Coordinator at Lewis S. Mills, presented his budget summary to the Board. He noted that the transportation and dues/fees lines associated with several of the sports are very difficult to predict.

Much of the discussions that were had encompassed the swim team, the availability of pool time in the surrounding towns, and the time of practice, which occurs late into the evenings.

Lewis S. Mills High School

Ms. Pamela Lazaroski, Principal at Lewis S. Mills, presented her budget rationale. She, too, noted that tuition and transportation costs were difficult to forecast.

Significant increases were associated with fees in the counseling department and supplies for technical education.

Har-Bur Middle School

Mr. Kenneth Smith, Principal at Har-Bur Middle School, presented on behalf of his building. Big ticket items in his building encompass supplies for consumer science and technical education and textbooks to accommodate Bridges middle school math program.

IV. Board of Education Review of the 2016/2017 Estimate of Expenses

A brief question and answer period followed each individual budget justification presented.

V. Public Participation:

Terry O'Connor
Harwinton

Spoke in support of the swim program but raised concerns surrounding the late evening practice times

Kirsten Bergstrom
Burlington

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Kris Nelson
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VI. Budget Workshops will be held on:

The next budget workshop is scheduled for Monday, March 7th with Lake Garda and Harwinton Consolidated Schools commencing the discussions.

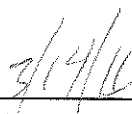
VII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Paul Omichinski and seconded by Susan Baccaro to adjourn the budget workshop at 9:08 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



John Vecchitto, Secretary



Date

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Additionally, Robert's Rules in brief advises "The name and subject of a guest speaker or other program may be given, but no summary of the talk." [RONRIB page 149]

Both books can be found at our local libraries for anyone interested in more information.

RSD10 Chair