

Finance Committee Workshop

DATE: April 24, 2017, 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Regional School Unit #19 Central Office

Members Present: Robin McNeil, Corinna Caron, Susie Hopkins, Bill MacDonald, Don Mendell,

Other Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: Mike Hammer, Trish Hayes, Don Roux, Liz Mares, Mary Nadeau, Angela Brown, Jane Stork, Denise Kimball, Lori Merrow, David Leighton, Cynthia Lutz, Ellen Surprenant, Licia Goodridge, Suzanne Nowinski, Maxine Pare, Josh Grant

I. Public Comments - None

II. 2017 – 2018 Budget Review:

A. Article 5 – Nurses, Improvement of Instruction, and Technology

Maxine Pare was present to discuss the needs of the nursing department for FY18 and answered questions. Mike and Trish discussed the Improvement of Instruction accounts and the items which are included in the FY18 budget. Some items which were formerly paid for by the TIF grant have been included in the FY18 budget proposal such as NWEA and some stipend amounts to continue the curriculum work that was started as part of the grant received four years ago. Cynthia Lutz presented the library portion of the budget and addressed the shift in needs for the coming year. Josh Grant reviewed the technology needs of the district and reviewed requests presented in the FY18 budget proposal. Josh will fine tune the proposal as we go since he was not on board when the budget was created and as he determines the needs of the district.

B. Article 8 – Transportation

The salary and benefits portion of the transportation budget was updated and shared with the committee.

C. Article 11 – All other which includes Food Service

David Leighton addressed the committee and shared the first draft of the FY18 budget for food services. This is the first time that David has created a budget for the program and based on questions from the committee will gather more information and return on May 1st to finish the conversation. David did not that lunch prices will need to be increased next year by .05. Each year he is required to do a calculation based on the state equity rates and has not had to raise prices for two years.

D. Article 15 – Adult Education

Suzanne Nowinski discussed the Adult Education budget. She had some questions regarding the budget so will meet with Trish for further review.

III. Other - None

IV. Adjournment 8:50