

Minutes Holden Finance Committee, March 2, 2022, Remote Via Zoom  
Wachusett Regional School District Budget

Members Present: Paul Challenger, Dave White, Joe Dolak, Chris Lucchesi, Don Graves, Al Berg, Stephanie Adams, Marilynn Foley

Member Absent: Jane Titcomb

Also Present: Peter Lukes Town Manager (via phone), Stephanie King, Asst. Town Manager, Darryll McCall, Superintendent, WRSD, Dan Deedy, Director of Business and Finance WRSD, and some members of the WRSDC.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 P.M.

Superintendent McCall presented the WRSD F/Y23 Budget: Enrollment Update, Per Pupil Spending, Staffing Update, Budget Overview, Salaries and Benefits, Instruction and Operation, Fixed Costs, Total Expenditures, Revenues and Projected Offsets to Reduce Overall Costs. Darryll then answered questions from the Committee.

Darryll expects increases from the State in Chapter 90 and Transportation Aid. His hopes for the future would be free pre school, a middle layer of support staff (reading and math specialists for example). With increasing student enrollment it may not be too early to plan and start the process for future building projects. The Committee thanked Darryll and Dan.

A motion by Dave 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stephanie to approve the minutes of February 16, 2022 was voted unanimously by roll call vote (Challenger aye, White aye, Lucchesi aye, Graves aye, Berg aye, Dolak aye, Adams aye, Titcomb, aye, Foley aye),

A motion by Dave 2<sup>nd</sup> by Al to approve the minutes of February 23, 2022 was voted unanimously by roll call vote (Challenger aye, White aye, Lucchesi, aye, Berg aye, Dolak aye, Adams aye, Titcomb aye, Foley aye, absained Graves).

Al inquired about in person meetings during the deliberation process.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,