



Colchester Board of Education Minutes Budget Committee

Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2010

Time: 7:30 AM

Place: BOE Conference Room

Members Present: Chairman Donald Kennedy, Mary Tomasi

Administration Present: Karen Loiselle, Maggie Cosgrove, Jeff Mathieu, Greg Plunkett, Katherine Shaughnessy

Others Present: Matt Burgess, Jay Cohen, Greg Cordova, Paul Cullen, Robert Esteves, Ronald Goldstein, Duane Maranda, Eva Gallupe

1. Call to Order

Chairman Donald Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:32 AM.

2. Citizen Comments

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by: Mary Tomasi

To approve the minutes from the May 5, 2010 meeting.

Seconded by: Chairman Donald Kennedy

4. FY 2009-2010 Financial Reports

- **Monthly Budget Reports**

Ms. Cosgrove presented the financial report as of May 31, 2010, indicating that the budget freeze remains in force.

- **Budget Transfers**

None

- **Health Insurance Reserve**

Ms. Cosgrove presented the report for April, noting that there was one significant claim paid during the month.

- **Special Education Excess Cost Report**

Ms. Shaughnessy reported that one student has been moved from private to State Agency Placement.

5. Old Business

- **Status of OCR Violations**

Ms. Loiselle and Mr. Plunkett updated the status on the remaining items to complete.

6. **New Business**

- **OCR Proposed Project**

Ms. Loiselle and Mr. Plunkett explained that Mr. Cohen had contacted the State to clarify the need to provide a walkway to the team bench side of the athletic field. The State agreed, in writing, to allow Colchester to use the track as the handicap access to the team benches with the need to provide two pads near the team benches to accommodate wheel chairs. They also reported that any significant savings in the projected Year 1 projects savings would be utilized to start the Year 2 projects.

- **Rental of Portable Classrooms**

Ms. Loiselle informed the Committee that there was a local Day Care provider that inquired about renting one of the portable classrooms at WJJMS. After a detailed discussion, the consensus was for Ms. Loiselle to explore the issue further with no commitment.

- **Athletic Coalition - Fundraiser**

Mr. Maranda and Mr. Cullen gave a presentation on the fundraising proposal of the Bacon Academy Friends of Football in conjunction with the Athletic Sports Coalition for the installation of lighting and artificial turf at the Bacon Academy football field.

After a detailed discussion it was determined that additional research regarding funding options and the timeline for the project needs to be completed. It was also noted that the installation of the light poles could not be done prior to completion of the track as the paving is scheduled to start next week.

7. **Adjournment**

Motion by: Mary Tomasi

To adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by: Chairman Donald Kennedy

Vote: Unanimous

Chairman Donald Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 9:05 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Eva B. Gallupe
Financial Administrator