



Haverhill School Committee
Finance Subcommittee Meeting – Wednesday, September 11, 2019
City Hall, Suite 206 @ 9:00 a.m.

Present: Ms. Gail Sullivan, Chairperson, Attorney Paul Magliocchetti, Attorney Richard Rosa, Mr. Michael Pfifferling, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations and Dr. Margaret Marotta, Superintendent of Schools.

Ms. Allison Heartquist, Mayor's Chief of Staff along with City Councilor Colin LePage and Mayor James Fiorentini were present.

In relation to an agenda item for Thursday's School Committee meeting (Elimination of Chief Academic Officer – Elementary), the following assignments were outlined:

- Mentor Program
- STAR Benchmark Testing
- Title I
- Data
- ELL/ELA Supervisors Supervision
- Atlas Maps
- Parent Engagement
- Summer Title I Programs

The consensus was that this position is critical to the district and should not be eliminated.

Ms. Heartquist outlined that a solid team had been assembled as part of the Drug Free Community Group and funding was being sought for the following initiatives:

- YRBS - \$20K
- Vape Detectors - \$35K
- Speaker Series - \$20K

Extensive discussion ensued concerning who should fund these items, i.e. school department, city or HOA funding. The subcommittee was supportive of all the items

Consensus was agreed to hold off on middle school vaping detectors.

Dr. Marotta commented three proposals were being solicited for transportation audit (\$15,000).

Mr. Pfifferling noted that additional busses would cost \$100,000 - \$120,000 (buses).

The following list was updated from previous meetings:

- \$275,000 Stabilization
- \$200,000 Minimum Wage - completed**
- \$35,000 .5 Band - completed**
- \$120,000 Math and/or Interventionists
- \$240,000 Adjustment Counselors/Bilingual Parent Liaisons
- \$100,000 Vacation Academies

\$40,000 Security Enhancements & YRBS Analysis
 \$25,000 Vocational Director conversion of position to administrator (Victoria Kelley) \$71,271 + \$2,000
 (\$95,000 – year 1 administrator)
 \$15,000 Transportation Analysis

\$200,000
 \$200,000
 \$120,000
 \$240,000
 \$100,000

 \$116944
 \$-37488
 \$13439
 \$12557
 \$1,106,150

Additional items for consideration were:

- Bus Monitors: \$20,000 per monitor = \$600,000
- Director of Security (audit should be completed first)
- Bilingual Parent Liaisons addition of two for the HHS and Moody School

Mayor suggested replicating what was done at Tilton and translating it to other schools.

Mr. Pfifferling is reviewing the NRT Special Education Contract, a recommendation will be made at tomorrow's meeting to provide an extension per the original contract.

He outlined the issues with walk zones, addition of bus stops, and the Transfinder (NRT) vs. Traversa (HPS) software systems and its impact on the bussing issues.

The Assistant Superintendent also noted the aged in-district vehicles and there would be a recommendation to lease to own six vans.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to add the \$15,000 Transportation Audit to the funding list. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to adjourn the Finance Subcommittee meeting (10:07 a.m.). Attorney Rosa seconded the motion.