

Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee
February 26, 2020 7:30 PM
Town Hall, Conference Room 4

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DATE: April 21, 2020
TIME: 9:40 AM

Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance

Chris Doyle, Geoff Lubien, Paul Rickter, Jack Weis

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 PM

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the February 18, 2020 meeting were approved.

Review of Draft FY 21 School Department Budget

The committee began by looking at the School Department's spreadsheet on Page 46 of the budget book, showing projected out-of-district special education expenses for FY 21 and beyond. Members raised several questions, including wanting to better understand the School Department's confidence in the overall expense projections.

The committee then walked through the three budget summary pages, focusing on line items that had material changes from the prior fiscal year(s) and turning to the individual program pages for reference when there were variances that people wanted to understand better. Individual areas that prompted discussion included understanding how projected salary increases tied to projected staffing increases for certain Regular Instruction and Special Instruction Accounts, and understanding some of the variances in the Student Services accounts, the Operations accounts, and the Administrative accounts.

Jack will compile/summarize the committee members' specific questions and will send them to John Phelan and Tony DiCologero in advance of our meeting on March 4th with the School Department administration and the Finance Subcommittee of the School Committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.