

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 20
JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE & BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
February 5, 2026

Finance Committee

John Morosani-Chair Ashley Hall Daddona
Scott Pottbecker Ashley Westfall

1. Call to Order The Joint Finance Committee and Board of Education meeting, held at Litchfield Intermediate School and via teleconference was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Tiffany Parkhouse.

Members present: Tiffany Parkhouse, Chair, Ashley Westfall, Vice Chair, Ashley Hall Daddona, Secretary, John Morosani, Treasurer, Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Margaret Hunt, Kara Cruoglio, Diane Barnes, Scott Pottbecker, Billie Jean Sideris, and Rob DeLayo. All Finance Committee members present as outlined above.

Also present: Jeffrey Villar, Ph.D., Superintendent, Julie Haggard, Assistant Superintendent Pupil Services, and Julia Cardillo, Chief Financial Officer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance Tiffany Parkhouse invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Review & Discuss FY27 Budget Categories 0-Capital, 1-Certified Salaries & 2-Classified Salaries Dr. Villar and Julia Cardillo presented the FY27 Budget Categories 0-Capital and 1-Certified Salaries. Dr. Villar and Julia Cardillo responded to questions from Board members. At the next meeting the district will close out Category 1- Certified Salaries and move onto Category 2 - Classified Salaries.

4. Public Comment

Individuals offering public comment should please state their first and last name and the town where they reside. Remarks should be limited to no more than three minutes. A maximum time limit of 30 minutes will be allocated for public comment at any one meeting. Individuals representing a common interest or topic may be asked to have one individual speak for the group. Public comments must be relevant to the meeting's agenda. Speakers shall direct all comments to the Board, not to individual BOE members or administrators. Profane or vulgar language, partisan political statements, and comments related to the conduct or performance of staff are not permitted. Public comment is received without Board comment or response, the Board is to keep comments "under advisement." However, BOE members may seek clarification or additional information from speakers through the Chairman.

Gretchen Ewers, Goshen, spoke about the impact of the prior year position eliminations and the need to fund interventionist positions at the elementary school level.

Jeff Zullo, Litchfield, spoke about the warranty on school building roofs, with solar panels, and timing on any roof replacement projects, concerns about the Apple Lease, and the Region 6 bond transfer process with the merger of Region 20.

Denise Raap, Litchfield, commented on when contract negotiations begin and suggested for the Board to consider outsourcing some services such as lawn mowing.

5. Adjournment There being no further business to come before this committee and Board the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Escobar
Secretary, pro-tem