

**Scotland Elementary School  
Special Board of Education Meeting  
Thursday, June 16, 2022  
Zoom Only**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Cassidy Martin, Rod Perry, Sherry Smardon, Scott Sears,  
Clarke Stearns

**Absent:** William Trudelle, Gracie Martin

**ADMINISTRATION:** Valerie Bruneau, Superintendent  
Tim Smith, Outgoing Finance Director

**1. Call to order/ Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson Cassidy Martin called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

**2. Comments from the Public (no public audience)**

**Board Business (A)**

**Budget Transfers**

C. Stearns led discussion about the surpluses particularly in salaries. Tim Smith explained the 25,000 in salaries were due to loss of music teacher and the replacement spending some time as a sub, then hired at a lower rate. Salaries were also saved by guidance and reading specialist being covered by grant dollars. The second major area was group insurance. This area had extra due to the loss of a few covered staff, yielding almost 50,000. The third area of discussion was the 11,000 over budgeted for magnet tuition (surplus which was cut for the 2022-2023 school year budget). Special Ed salary was significantly over due to sped teacher above top step hired early in school year. Also, over was outplacement special education for unexpected student by 56,543. C. Stearns wants the report to reflect a column for the original approved budget amount for ease of reading and transparency. Tim will merge the reports to add this into one.

**Motion to accept the transfers BUT with the original budgeted amount as an amendment made by Clark Stearns and seconded by Sherry Smardon. Conversation among Board.**

**5-0-0 (Passed)**

**Board Business (B)**

**Para Contract**

**Motion to accept the para contract ratified by the non-cert union made by Sherry Smardon. Seconded by Clark Stearns. No further discussion.**

**5-0-0 (Passed)**

**2. Upcoming Meetings**

- Regular Meeting – July 12, 2022

**3. Adjournment**

**A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31p.m. was made by Sherry Smardon and Seconded by Clark Stearns.**

**5-0-0 (PASSED)**

**Respectfully Submitted,      Valerie E. Bruneau, Superintendent**

