

MINUTES  
WINCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL INFORMATION MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2016  
BLUE ROOM, 2ND FLOOR, TOWN HALL - 7PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
  - A. The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.
- II. ROLL CALL
  - A. Persons present (Alphabetical): Freeman Burr, Michelle Hintz, Nora Mocarski, Liz O'Dowd, Nancy O'Dea-Wyrick, Doug Pfenninger, John Pollock (@7:42pm), Alexandria Propfe, Christina Royer, Theresa Starzyk, Robert Vogt.
  - B. Absent: Dr. Ellen Stoltz
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  - A. For this meeting only: Doug Pfenninger was nominated and seconded to be the acting BOE Chair. Acting Secretary was named: Nora Mocarski
- IV. PRESENTATION
  - A. Finance Report - 1st Quarter Financials presented by Nancy O'Dea-Wyrick
    - 1. **[Handout]**
    - 2. Email questions to Freeman Burr and/or Doug Pfenninger and copy each person.
    - 3. Motion to accept the 1st Quarter Financial Report by Chris Royer.
    - 4. Seconded by Liz O'Dowd
    - 5. Motion passed, 8-0-1
  - B. Special Education Report - presented by Freeman Burr
    - 1. **[Handout]**
    - 2. Out of District Placement (OOD) report included two-years of as a way to compare and contrast and find possible trends.
      - a) 2016-17: Total # Special Education Students: 249 (21%); j13\* OOD; \$787,999; Settlement agreements: 6; Total Cost to District: \$496,818
        - (1) \*Note - Per Freeman: There are more students, but these 13 drive most of the costs.
      - b) 2015-16: Total # Special Education Students: 252 (21%); 23 OOD; \$914,128.
    - 3. Tuition Costs discussed
    - 4. Request was made to see cost per disability. Per Mr. Burr, Dr. Stoltz is looking into it.
    - 5. Discussion over creation of in-district programs as a way to reduce costs.
      - a) Per Mr. Burr: We are making sure that "in-house" interventions including Tier 1, 2 & 3 interventions are working first.
    - 6. A very rough estimated cost of resources going to Special Education related costs: 20-25% of the budget, or about \$5 million.
- V. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER
  - A. Future meetings:
    - 1. December 6th - CABE;
    - 2. December 20th - Special Informational Meeting
- VI. ADJOURN
  - A. Motion to adjourn made by C. Royer
  - B. Seconded: M. Hintz
  - C. Adjournment @ 8:49pm.