Budget and Finance Committee Meeting 11/06/2023

Called to Order: 5:32pm

<u>In Attendance</u>: Members- Tracey Bigney, Heather Lander, Linda Graban, Jared Fulgoni, and Kelly Theriault. Guests-Rachel Downs, Heather Grass (5:45), Matt Campbell (5:45), Amy Hart (5:55).

Budget and FY24 Financials

Discussion regarding the constant boiler issues across the district. The boilers were not on the Short-Term Five-Year Facilities Plan. Major investments in boilers will be needed in all of the buildings. Kelly suggested that another investment should be made for an engineering firm to do a thorough and up to date plan on facilities in order to maintain buildings. Another budget impact is the potential need for an Ed Tech for a kindergartener due to behavior, the next step would be Bangor Regional Program (BRP). Next year it will be budgeted to try to get the younger kids back in-house for special education. In addition, Eddington School's convection oven is in need of replacement, this will not affect the budget issues because it is not taken from the general fund. Kelly has obtained quotes from two vendors. The committee agreed to take the lowest quote, from R.M Flagg for \$6,475.00.

Facilities/Transportation

Maintenance truck needs a new engine. The estimated cost is \$5,000. Without it we do not have a way to plow/sand the bus garage parking area or Tradewinds way. Per the deed, RSU #63 is responsible to plow & maintain the roadway. We will get a quote from Whitmore for the cost to add this to our existing contract for this school year. We will also reach out to the town regarding plowing to see if they may be able to help out. We will consider getting a used motor and doing the work in-house (as time allows) for the right price but at this time, we do not think the truck will be available for this year and we do not want to put a lot of money into it.

Other

The long-term Physical Education Substitute position was filled. The contract is until January 1, 2024, when the position and need will be reevaluated.

Next Meeting

December 4, 2023 at Holbrook, 5:30pm January 8, 2024 at Holbrook, 5:30pm

Meeting Adjourned: 6:07pm

Approved: November 27, 2023