RSU 63 Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes February 14, 2023 Holbrook School 5:00 p.m.

Members Present in Person: Tracy Bigney, Cherie Faulkner, and Linda Graban Also Present In-Person: Kelly Theriault, RSU 63 Business Manager, and Jared Fulgoni, RSU 63 Superintendent

Call the meeting to Order: 5:19pm

FY23 Financials

<u>Cost Center Summary and Financial Detail</u> – No concerns. Cherie noted that Transportation is doing better than anticipated. Kelly Theriault advised that is due to staffing. Discussion on the town valuations and funding for schools. Kelly advised we will need to do a line item transfer for Facilities cost center.

<u>School Lunch</u> – January claim has not been done yet. Overall, there are no concerns. Food cost has been the biggest battle. Performance Food Group (PFG) has notified us they do not plan to extend the contract. We will start the bid process soon.

FY24 Budget

<u>Update</u>: Anticipated to have a first look at the budget for today's meeting, however some adjustments are still needed. Meetings with Administrators have been completed. We have some cuts to make due to loss of revenue, increased teacher salaries, and high cost special education costs. Discussion on potential schedule changes for Holbrook.

<u>Dates</u>: Kelly Theriault will have a draft overview of the budget for February 27, 2023 at 5:30pm. Recommended to meet prior to the Board meeting.

FY24 Budget Workshops:

- March 1st at 5:15pm
- March 6th at 5:15pm
- March 14^{th} at 5:15pm

Transportation

Policy Review:

<u>EEA – Student Transportation</u>: This policy references providing transportation to 4 area high schools. To ensure our transportation aligns with operational goals set by the Board, discussion took place on student high school placement and transportation need. Discussion on mechanic agreements, written and/or verbal, with area schools. Discussion on consolidating bus stops and drivers taking buses home. Recommend to the policy committee some small language changes, recommend IV. C. "approved by the Superintendent", and asking Jake Morgan about changing the pickup for Bangor and Hampden.

JFBC - Secondary School Tuition: It is recommended to table until we have answers from Mr. Morgan.

Other - None

Next Meeting Date: Will set next meeting at the FY24 workshop.

Adjourn: 6:44pm

APPROVED: APRIL 3, 2023