LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET/FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE LEBANON MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA February 13, 2018 – SPECIAL MEETING 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: William Meese, Alexis Margerelli-Hussey, Jason Nowosad

Dawn Whitcher

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of School Robert Angeli, Robert Laskarzewski, , LMS Principal,

Robert Sirpenski, Business Manager, Jacque Dulac, Information Technology

Manager, Kathleen Smith, teacher.

1. Call To Order:

The Budget/Finance Subcommittee meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by J. Nowosad

2. Discussion of the 2018-2019 Budget

Superintendent Angeli reported and distributed a budget reflecting a 1% increase. The reductions and increases were reviewed. Potential items to be reduced to get to a 0% budget were reviewed. The three year averages of spending were reviewed to get the budget that is being presented. R. Sirpenski noted that CIRMA has quoted a 5% reduction in workers compensation and liability insurance. The health insurance number is still an unknown. Discussion of teachers not spending. Superintendent Angeli noted that teachers are spending appropriately. D. Whitcher questioned the expense on LES library books and if this has an impact on the Strategic Plan. Superintendent Angeli noted that no new initiatives are impacted by the cuts. The BCBA position proposal has been withdrawn. Professional Development for administrators has been cut. The administrators offered this cut. Library book purchases were discussed. They have been frozen for part of this year. Superintendent Angeli noted that this budget does not have a major impact on programs, staff and supplies. At a 0% budget program levels cannot be maintained without losing things. The \$20,000.00 line item for textbooks was discussed. The superintendent noted that staff are trying to update textbooks. Principal Laskarzewski noted that the library is using classroom sets of books. Digital resources are being used. Workbooks are more in use. W. Meese noted that digital resources are more updated. D. Whitcher questioned the student transportation line item. This is used for athletics, science and music events. The projected number of events was used for calculating this line item. The elementary school other line item was explained. This is utilized for short trips between schools. W. Meese noted that the superintendent has presented a 1% budget. The Board of Finance has requested a flat budget.

Motion made by W. Meese and seconded by A. Margerelli-Hussey to forward to the full Board of Education the 0% budget with the extra \$190,000.00 of reductions as presented. Motion failed with D. Whitcher and A. Margerelli-Hussey opposed. William Meese in favor.

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Motion made by A. Margerelli-Hussey and seconded by D. Whitcher to present to the full Board of Education the 1% budget as presented and to discuss the options of a 0% budget. Motion passed with D. Whitcher, A Margerelli-Hussey in favor and W. Meese opposed

3. Adjournment

Motion made by D. Whitcher and seconded by William Meese to adjourn the meeting. Motion Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen E. Chapman Board Clerk