

**LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING  
LYMAN MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY  
JANUARY 11, 2022 - 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Matt Smith (Chair), Nicole McGillicuddy, Dawn Whitcher, Sarah Haynes (BOE Chair)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Superintendent Andrew Gonzalez, Valerie Belles, Business Manager

**I. Call to Order**

M. Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. Initial Budget Proposal Discussion**

Superintendent Gonzalez presented a slideshow detailing the financial requests that compose the initial 2022-2023 Operating Budget. The proposed percentage increase, including all staffing enhancements, is 3.61%. Highlights from input groups were as follows:

- Teachers are requesting cabinetry and desks for their classrooms.
- More use of the greenhouse at LMS is needed.
- Enrollment at Lyman should increase (and no programs should be cut)
- Full day preschool should be looked at for the future.
- Need for additional resource room teachers at LES.

Comments from the members:

- N. McGillicuddy asked about the proposed cuts to line items - cross reference admin and teachers to make sure items are not needed before the cuts occur.
- To hire a speech pathologist would save the district money, rather than outsourcing.
- Anticipated health and fuel costs are uncertain at this time.
- There was a savings in special education costs, thus contributing to the lower percentage for the 2022-23 budget increase.
- Capital requests are due to the town by January 21, 2022.

**III. Adjournment**

M. Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Matt Smith, Chair