Lebanon Board of Education

Finance Subcommittee Meeting

Lebanon Middle School (LMS) Library

May 16, 2023 – 5:00PM

Minutes

PRESENT: Brian Green, Nicole McGillicuddy, Sarah Haynes

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Andrew Gonzalez, Valerie Belles (Business Manager)

Call to Order: Brian Green called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

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- I. Long Term Study Updates
 - a. We are awaiting final 2022-2023 financials before we meet again with the BOF.
 - b. Ms. Belles utilized her contacts and found two other companies that do perform studies: NESDEC, and Tecton Architects; giving us possibly three companies to choose from for the study.
- II. Safety/Security Grant Update
 - a. Mr. Gonzalez stated that there was no update. He further stated that there was no mention of a grant award date within the application package. The Superintendent did email the State contact for information.
- III. Emergency Repair/Expense Update
 - a. The second round of technology purchases took place on 11 MAY 2023 (Chromebooks, etc.).
 - b. The water heater has still not been delivered. It appears that the delay is due to the product being produced.
- IV. 2022-2023 Budget Update
 - a. Mr. Gonzalez stated the following:
 - i. Transportation Fuel: Exceeds our budget by \$17,000.
 - **ii.** Heating Oil: Exceeds our budget by \$88,000 currently, and we'll likely have one more small delivery before fiscal year end.
 - iii. Medicaid: We received \$11,000 more than expected in reimbursement.
 - **iv.** Even with these additional expenses, we remain within our overall budgeted target. This is because positions were not filled over this school year due to severe shortage of qualified applicants.
- V. Audit
 - a. Ms. Belles stated that they are hoping to wrap up the audit soon.
 - b. We will likely meet with the audit firm in a special Finance Subcommittee meeting when the audit is completed.
- VI. FY 24 Budget
 - a. Mr. Gonzalez stated that since the budget was passed, he has moved forward with staffing the open positions; several of which have been filled already.
 - b. Because of salary, lane, step, etc. of incoming staff, it's difficult to know how we'll end up at this point.
 - c. Healthcare is the other wild card; will the new employee take any offered benefits?

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VII. Capital Budget

- a. Mr. Gonzalez stated that he, the administration, and directors are working on a priority list for the capital budget.
- **VIII.** Brian Green adjourned this meeting at 5:43PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Brian Green, Finance Subcommittee Chair

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