

Belmont School Committee Minutes
Finance Subcommittee
April 17, 2012
2nd Floor Conference Room of the School Administration Building

Present: Mr. Kevin Cunningham
Ms. Laurie Slap
Ms. Anne Lougee
Mr. Dan Scharfman
Dr. Thomas Kingston, Interim Superintendent
Ms. Janice Darius, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Anthony DiCologero, Director of Finance

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.

2. Budget Status Report

Mr. DiCologero presented the latest FY13 budget proposal reviewed at a meeting he had with the Interim Town Administrator, the Town Accountant, and Board of Selectmen Chair on Friday, April 13. He reported there would be another working session of this group on Friday, April 20; and a Board of Selectmen meeting in the morning of Saturday, April 21. The goal is to fund the Schools' level service budget for FY13.

3. Special Topics

The group discussed what materials should be included in the School Department/School Committee report sent to Town Meeting members in preparation for the May 14 Town Meeting. Dr. Kingston offered to prepare a draft to review at the next Finance Subcommittee meeting on April 24. He noted that the final report is due to the Town Clerk's office by noon on April 25.

The group also discussed components to include as part of long-term planning. Ideas included analyses of state and federal mandates, compensation and labor contracts, and educational models emerging over the next decade. All agreed that it would be important to develop appropriate performance metrics for the School Committee and broader community.

The group agreed to focus on long-term planning once the FY13 budget was approved by Town Meeting.

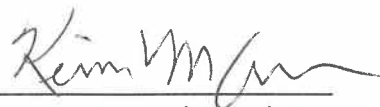
4. Approve Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by



Kevin Cunningham, Chair