

**Belmont School Committee Minutes  
Joint Meeting of Finance Subcommittee with  
Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee  
December 17, 2013  
Conference Room of the School Administration Building**

**Present:** Mr. Kevin Cunningham  
Ms. Anne Lougée  
Ms. Laurie Slap  
Dr. Thomas Kingston, Interim Superintendent  
Mr. Anthony DiCologero, Director of Finance

Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee (WCESC)  
Mr. Robert Sarno  
Mr. James Gammill  
Mr. Raffi Manjikian

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:13 a.m.

**2. Review of FY14 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Results**

Mr. DiCologero answered questions from WCESC members about expenses in line items such as curriculum development, bus transportation, building and grounds, custodial services, legal services, and out-of-district special education; and explained why the timing in FY14 is slightly different than FY13, but should still meet budget projections by year's end.

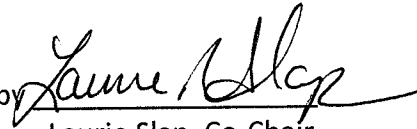
**3. Discussion of FY15 Budget Development**

Dr. Kingston reviewed the work underway in the Enrollment Modeling Group. Mr. DiCologero presented a report showing changes in FTEs in FY13 and FY14. The group discussed continuing challenges of detailed analyses of special education costs given legal protections of privacy and confidentiality. Q2 reports for FY14 should be ready by mid-January. Mr. DiCologero described the School Department's schedule for FY15 budget development. He will first prepare a roll-ahead budget with some modifications to address current needs of the system. The Central Office team then will propose adjustments to meet available revenue targets and prepare a formal presentation to the School Committee, Board of Selectmen, and Warrant Committee during the week of February 10th. The SD Central Office team will work closely with the Town Administrator and Finance Subcommittee leading up to the first public presentation. The group also noted ongoing collaboration between School Committee, Board of Selectmen and Warrant Committee on all aspects of budget development.

**3. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by

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Laurie Slap, Co-Chair