

Belmont School Committee Work Session Minutes
Finance Subcommittee
January 10, 2017
Conference Room of the School Administration Building

Present: Ms. Susan Burgess-Cox
Mr. Thomas Caputo
Mr. Murat Bicer
Mr. John Phelan, Superintendent
Mr. Anthony DiCologero, Director of Finance

Guest(s): Mr. Jim Gammill

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 a.m.

2. Full Day Kindergarten Financial Analysis – Wrap Up

Superintendent Phelan and Mr. DiCologero verified that the town would have to come up with a one-time allocation in excess of \$800,000 in order to then receive state funding for full-day Kindergarten. While the group agreed that this would be a long-term benefit for the District, it was agreed that FY 18 is not likely the year in which this could happen as there are other pressing needs related to issues such as enrollment and special education.

3. FY18 Budget Update

The zero-based budgeting meetings with all administrators are complete and all agreed with projections that would not include a 2 1/2 % increase. An increase in enrollment and personnel needs are major driving factors to the FY18 budget. Mr. DiCologero presented an update on the Circuit Breaker account that showed a positive balance.

4. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by


Susan Burgess-Cox