

**Town of Columbia**  
**FISCAL POLICY BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**July 14, 2010**  
**8:30 A.M.**  
**Horace W. Porter School Conference Room**

**Members Present:** Carmen Vance-First Selectman, Jonathan Luiz-Town Administrator, Francine Coss-Superintendent, Earnest Sharpe-FIPAC Chairman, Bev Ciurylo-Fiscal Manager

**Members/Others Absent:** Paula Belekewicz-Board of Education Member, William Mulcahy-Board of Education Member

**Staff Present:** Karen Johnson-Superintendent's Secretary

**I. Call to Order**

B. Ciurylo called the July 14, 2010 Fiscal Policy Board meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**II. Approve Regular Minutes of June 9, 2010**

J. Luiz **MOVED** and E. Sharpe **SECONDED** to approve the June 9, 2010 regular meeting minutes as presented.

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**III. Correspondence**

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Lebanon Law Suit** – Superintendent Coss reported an extension has been filed and the district is waiting for Lebanon's response. The Board discussed high school choice options, special education concerns and legal obligations. The Board of Education will be finalizing high school options for Columbia students for the 2011/2012 school year.

**V. New Business**

**A. 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Summary for Town & School** – Mr. Luiz will prepare an analysis report for the next FIPAC meeting which will include pending fuel and tax bills, health insurance savings and stimulus grant savings. Mrs. Coss discussed tuition savings, fuel buyout costs, expected outstanding bills and the cost of shampooing the school carpets.

**B. 2009/2010 High School Student Population Figures** – Mrs. Coss distributed 2009/2010 Budgeted Tuition and 2009/2010 Actual Enrollment figures. The Board discussed designated high school contracts, tuition payment schedules for each high school and the 2009/2010 tuition surplus. The Superintendent will prepare a re-calculation of actual high school enrollment based on October 1, 2010 for the November Fiscal Policy meeting.

**VI. Fiscal Department**

Ms. Paula Jeffers will begin work in the Finance Office on Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. The Fiscal Manager and Town Administrator will be interviewing for the payroll support position this afternoon.

**VII. Audience**

**VIII. Other**

Teacher Negotiations have begun using the Interest Based Bargaining method. The ground rules are set and 5 points of interest have been established. The negotiations team consists of 8 teachers and 4 Board of Education members as well as the Superintendent. The goal is to have the contract finalized by September.

**IX. Adjournment**

B. Ciurylo **MOVED** and J. Luiz **SECONDED** to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

*Next meeting: August 18, 2010*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Johnson, Superintendent's Secretary