

TOWN OF COLUMBIA

Fiscal Policy Board September 11, 2013

Horace W. Porter School Conference Room

8:45 a.m.

Members Present: Bev Ciurylo-Finance Director, Carmen Vance – First Selectman, Mark Winzler-Interim Superintendent, Jonathan Luiz-Town Administrator, Kerry Hoffman-Board of Education Member, Earnest Sharpe-FIPAC Chairman

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Ciurylo called the September 11, 2013, Fiscal Policy Board meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2013: J. Luiz **MOVED** and E. Sharpe **SECONDED** to approve the July 10, 2013, meeting minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.**

3. Correspondence - None

4. Old Business

A. MBR: J. Luiz said the State Board of Education approved an ECS penalty waiver for FY 13-14 with the understanding that the Town of Columbia would provide a supplemental budget appropriation of \$253,235 to the Columbia BOE. J. Luiz said that the Columbia Board of Selectmen will vote to finalize the supplemental budget appropriation on September 17, 2013. BOE Chair Lauren Perotti-Verboven was called via cell phone to discuss the order in which BOE funds would be spent. The entire Fiscal Policy Board decided that the order would be discussed at a later date, once all security upgrade pricing, security grant awards and list of new BOE projects/expenditures have been finalized.

B. School Security: Fiscal Policy Members discussed security upgrade planning and the security grant.

C. School Roof Project Update: The school roof replacement project was discussed. M. Winzler and J. Luiz will be meeting with State officials to review the project and the grant application made to the state. M. Winzler and J. Luiz agreed that the project will be "roof only" as far as the grant is concerned. The rooftop mechanical replacement will not be included in the grant application because doing so would slow down the project and result in no additional grand funding being received.

5. New Business

A. Preschool program: M. Winzler and J. Luiz discussed the preschool tuition charges. The consensus of the Fiscal Policy Board was that the tuition issue is to remain status quo.

B. Board of Education 2013/2014 Budget Status – B. Ciurylo said that she is working with M. Winzler to create a budget document for 2013/2014.

6. Fiscal Department – B. Ciurylo said the ED001 report has been filed in a timely manner and that the Town audit will take place the end of October. M. Winzler indicated satisfaction with the performance of the Finance Department.

7. Audience – no audience

8. Adjournment: J. Luiz **MOVED** to adjourn at 10:30 am. E. Sharpe **SECONDED** the MOTION. **MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.**

Next meeting: October 9, 2013 @ 8:45 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Jonathan Luiz