

Board of Education

MOTIONS

May 7, 2018

Board Members Present: Christopher Lent, Linette Dooley, Gary Littlefield, James Chakulski, Kathy Tolsdorf, David Crim, Karin Vertefeuille

Others Present: Lol Fearon-Superintendent, Alyssa Gwinnell-Principal, Barbara Wilson-Director of Special Education, Jennifer Hill-Assistant Principal, Beverly Ciurylo-Town Finance Director, Christine Sposito, Tom Boardman, Lisa Napolitano, Alyson Cranick, Michael Sylvester-Facilities Manager, Mark Walter-Town Administrator, John Muro-Artisenergy and Chris Irwin-Artisenergy

1. C. Lent MOVED, D. Crim SECONDED to add item VI. f) Resolution in Support of Historic Preservation Grant for Moor's Indian Charity School.
MOTION CARRIES 7:0.

2. K. Tolsdorf MOVED, J. Chakulski SECONDED, to approve the Aritsenery Solutions Lighting Proposal.

Discussion:

K. Vertefeuille expressed concerns regarding the anticipated cost of the project. The initial payment was not calculated in the budget this year and additional payments will need to be spread out over the next 4 years.

L. Fearon explained the potential cost effectiveness of the short term investment and long term savings. The project is being fast tracked in order to take advantage of incentives which may not be available in the future. Timing of the project was delayed due to delays in the State budget process. The application window opened in March and the process began immediately. Town Hall and Beckish Senior Center lighting has been upgraded by Artisenergy and the process was smooth and efficient.

K. Vertefeuille asked if the anticipated annual savings of \$19,000 is on top of expected savings for solar panels.

Mr. Fearon said it was an estimated savings beyond the solar panels.

K. Tolsdorf, L. Dooley, J. Chakulski, C. Lent and G. Littlefield voted FOR THE MOTION.

K. Vertefeuille and D. Crim voted AGAINST THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5:2.

3. Out of district student to H.W. Porter 2018-2019, Set Tuition –

K. Vertefeuille MOVED, J. Chakulski SECONDED to approve the return of an out of district student to H.W. Porter for the 2018-2019 school year on a tuition basis.

Discussion:

J. Chakulski noted the student has attended H.W. Porter in the past.

MOTION CARRIES 7:0.

Tuition

K. Vertefeuille MOVED, G. Littlefield SECONDED to set a per pupil base tuition cost for the out of district student at \$11,050.

Discussion:

K. Vertefeuille reached the tuition figure based on the cost of tuition for a magnet school student.

D. Crim felt half of the per pupil expenditure cost was a more attractive figure and feels that \$11,050 is a disincentive.

L. Dooley said this is a unique situation and she didn't want to penalize the family for their request. She prefers a lower tuition rate.

MOTION CARRIES 4:2:1

K. Vertefeuille, G. Littlefield, D. Crim and C. Lent voted FOR THE MOTION.

L. Dooley and J. Chakulski voted AGAINST THE MOTION.

K. Tolsdorf ABSTAINED from voting.

4. Approval of Minutes – April 2, 2018

K. Tolsdorf MOVED, L. Dooley SECONDED to approve the minutes of April 2, 2018.

J. Chakulski MOVED, K. Vertefeuille SECONDED to amend section VII. d) as follows:

To allow the Superintendent to develop a list of recommended line item transfers for the Board of Education's review.

G. Littlefield MOVED, J. Chakulski SECONDED to approve the minutes of April 2, 2018 as amended.

MOTION CARRIES 5:0:2.

K. Vertefeuille and D. Crim ABSTAINED.

5. Expenditure Report Line Item Transfers 2017/2018 –

G. Littlefield MOVED, K. Vertefeuille SECONDED to authorize line item transfers for the 2017/2018 expenditure report as recommended by the Superintendent.

MOTION CARRIES 7:0.

6. Payment of Bills

G. Littlefield MOVED, K. Vertefeuille SECONDED to approve payment of bills.

MOTION CARRIES 7:0.

7. Adjournment – G. Littlefield MOVED, K. Vertefeuille SECONDED to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

MOTION CARRIES 7:0.