

Uxbridge Budget Subcommittee

October 15, 2015

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Uxbridge High School Library

Committee members present: Michelle Taparausky, Jen Modica, Debbie Stark

1. Call to Order

Michelle Taparausky, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

2. Public Comment

None

3. Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2015

4. FY2017 Budget Discussion

--SPED OOP Transportation (continued)

In order to show the subcommittee potential costs savings associated with purchasing district vehicles, Mr. Sawyer presented a handout to the subcommittee that showed the top ranking dollar amounts of single student vehicles that required no additional staffing during transportation. He noted that there would be other costs associated with adding district vehicles other than just initial vehicle purchase. Some of these costs included hiring someone to manage a district-owned fleet, maintenance on vehicles, and having a contingency plan to transport a student if a vehicle was unavailable.

The subcommittee noted that there were 2 runs listed in the handout that had costs much higher than the others. They felt that potentially purchasing one or two vehicles to cover those runs might be a good solution if they were able to operate without a fleet manager.

Mr. Sawyer said he would continue to investigate potential transportation savings by looking at additional runs that had not been presented in the handout.

--District-wide Operations

The subcommittee decided that, after hearing some challenges the district is having in securing substitute teachers, as well as comparing the district's substitute hourly rate to other districts' rates, that they would recommend to the full School Committee that substitute pay be

increased from \$65/day to \$75/day in FY17. This would increase next year's budget by approximately \$30,000.

Based on current staffing levels, salaries will contractually increase \$435,115 in FY17 from FY16.

5. Recommendation/Direction to Full School Committee (October 20, 2015)

No recommendation will be made at this meeting.

6. Next Meeting(s): October 27, 2015 & November 12, 2015

7. Schedule Next Meeting(s)

--Budget Category

October 27, 2015 Complete Out-of-District Transportation, Technology, Begin Special Education

November 12, 2015 Plant Operations and Maintenance/Continue Special Education

--Data/Information Requests

--Requests for Staff Attendance

8. Old/New Business

none

9. Adjournment

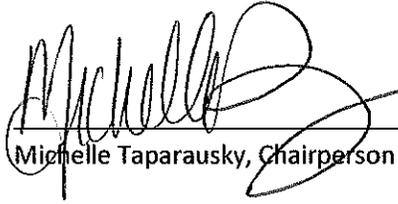
Ms. Taparausky made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Stark seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:23.

Respectfully submitted,

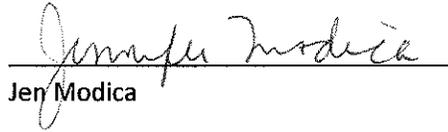


Debbie Stark

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Michelle Taparausky, Chairperson


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