REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT 12
Board of Education
Finance & Operations Committee
June 7, 2021

The Finance & Operations Committee meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021, by the Chairman, Alex McNaughton. Also, present were Committee members: Joe Abdella, Greg Cava and Pete Tagley. Attending were Megan Bennett, Superintendent and Nicole Grant, Director of Finance.

Pete Tagley made a motion to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2021. The motion was seconded by Joe Abdella and passed unanimously by a vote of 3-0-0. Greg Cava had not arrived yet.

Next on the Agenda was the Monthly Financials (through 6/7/21) that had not been reconciled since the May bank statements had not been received. Nicole Grant reviewed the numbers that had been distributed at the meeting. Individual line items were explained and discussed. Line Item 201 (Health Insurance) was artificially high since the June premium had been paid. Also, Line Item 624 (Heating Fuel Oil) was a final number for the school year. The actual number was about $70,000 over budget since doors in the individual schools had to be left open during the winter for ventilation purposes. Also, $228,084 was transferred into the 1% Fund.

At 4:15 Greg Cava joined the meeting.

The 5-year Facilities Plan Update was briefly discussed. Don O'Leary was away on vacation, but Megan Bennett emailed the Board members a spread sheet on the updated 2018 Facilities plan that showed that many of the items had already been addressed.

There was discussion about the Bid Awards. Two of the first RFP's were accepted; the Shepaug Roof at $1,328,150 and the Shepaug Water Tank at $101,400. No contract for the Garage was accepted. The RFP's for the Shepaug Windows and Perimeter Heating will be opened on Thursday, June 10th.

Nicole Grant recommended encumbering the potential cost ($138,000) of the Ventilation System in the Paint Room in the Agriscience addition. The Committee discussed the issue, and a motion was made by Joe Abdella, and seconded by Pete Tagley, to recommend to the Board of Education the approval of the encumbrance. The motion unanimously passed with a 4-0-0.

The Cafeteria – Healthy Food Certification was reviewed. In the pasted the school had not participated in the Federal plan. While the Federal plan would reimburse $0.06/meal or about $3,000/year that money would go to the new food service company. Next year the issue will be reviewed again. It was felt that making two changes in one year would not be wise. Greg Cava made a motion to recommend to the Board of Education to NOT adopt the "Healthy Food Certification plan. Joe Abdella seconded the motion that passed 4-0-0.

There being no other business, the Meeting was adjourned by consent at 4:56 p.m.