Hampton Board of Education Hampton, CT

Finance Committee Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, October 21, 2013

Present for the Board: John Burnham, Carol Misak, Rose Bisson

Also Present: Dr. Paul Graseck, Superintendent of School; Sally Lehoux, Business Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35.

2. Audience for Teachers and Citizens

Linda Sanchini urged the Board not to cut reading due to the reading scores of her students at the beginning of the school year. She also reported the students are concerned about losing drama due to the budget cuts.

3. Additions to the Agenda

No additions.

4. Minutes: 9/23/13

The minutes were accepted as presented.

5. 2012/2014 Financials

Dr. Graseck reported that the monthly allotment from the Board of Finance has been \$188, 000. The monthly allotment from the budget as passed by the Town is about \$170,000. So far this year spending has remained well within the lower amount.

Mrs. Lehoux explained the format of a new document that compares this year's spending with last year's spending.

6. Updated Benefits Chart

The committee discussed the format of the benefits chart and possible changes to streamline the chart. Mrs. Lehoux will present a reworked chart at the next meeting.

7. Grandfathered Sick Days and Insurance Agreements

The committee discussed memos of understanding quantifying the grandfathered benefits for specific employees.

8. 2013/2014 Budget Recommendation

The committee discussed the motion needed to make the cuts to the budget needed to meet the figure passed by the Town.

9. Transportation

Dr. Graseck reminded the committee members that we will soon be requesting bids for the next transportation contract. He reported Scotland is also ready to negotiate a contract. He has not heard back from Mr. Henrici about the status of the Chaplin contract.

10. Maintenance Costs

Dr. Graseck reported there have been approximately \$37,000 worth of unanticipated expenses so far this year. The committee discussed possible ways to finance the expenditures.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.