

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWN OF FOXBOROUGH

Special Meeting

Date: June 23, 2021

Time: 5:30 P.M.

Place: Gala Meeting Room, Town Hall

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rob Canfield, Mr. Brent Ruter, Mr. Richard Pearson,
Ms. Sarah LiDonni

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Ms. Michelle Raymond

SCHOOL STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Amy Berdos, Mr. William Yukna

Mr. Canfield opened the meeting, and turned the discussion over to Mr. Yukna to review the agenda items with the School Committee.

Mr. Yukna handed out a one-page explanation of the FY22 Special Education OOD (out-of-district) financial issue. He reviewed the current financial position of the district relating to the FY21 budget. He stated that based on the use of COVID grants and reduction in payroll cost relating to the district operating under COVID restrictions that many payroll-related costs were not incurred. At this time, it appears that nearly \$700,000 in payroll-related costs were reduced and approximately \$600,000 in district expenses mainly from reduced OOD tuition and transportation were not incurred for a total savings of \$1.3 million.

Mr. Yukna advised the Committee that due to late notice of a student moving into the district with a significant OOD placement, the FY22 tuition budget would be over subscribed by \$324,960. He reviewed the state law, Section 71D that allows the School Committee to prepay up to 3 months of Special Education tuitions and recommended, based on the FY21 surplus, that the School Committee vote to prepay \$356,174 in tuitions to protect the FY22 budget.

After some discussion and questions from the School Committee to Mr. Yukna the issue was put to a vote.

Vote on Prepayment of FY22 Special Education tuitions

Ruter moved; LiDonni seconded

Accept the prepayment as outlined in the handout in the amount of \$356,174

Vote: 4-0-0

With no further discussion

Pearson moved; Ruter seconded

Adjourn the meeting

Vote: 4-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 5:45

Attachments:

Special Education Tuition Handout

Approved: July 12, 2021

Respectfully submitted,



Brent Ruter, Clerk