

Tolland Board of Education  
Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes  
January 19, 2022

Members present: Dr. Walter Willett, Christine Griffin, Jacob Marie, Dana Philbin  
Members absent: Tony Holt

Meeting called to order at 5:10 pm

Review of 12/31/21 budget to actual – appendix F-1. Reviewed salaries vs. certified salaries as far as where the associate educators and additional teachers are expensed. Discussed line 325 and line 560 and asked Dr. Willett to provide some detail as to what is in these specific accounts. Discussed energy costs.

Discussion on free lunches and budget considerations. Dr. Willett explained that beginning with the 22/23 school year, the state will be requiring schools to provide full regular lunches for students who do not have a balance in their lunch account for up to 30 meals. Currently, the protocol is to provide a student with a granola bar or the like. This new requirement could result in more expenses than the food service self-funded budget can absorb and, therefore, spill over to the regular operating budget. Committee will continue to monitor this during the next school year for any financial impact to the FY23 operating budget.

Initial discussion of the FY23 superintendent's proposed budget. Mrs. Griffin created a spreadsheet which was reviewed with the committee. It includes a reconciliation of the \$2,018,111 budget increase and asks for detail for staff additions, contractual obligations, technology, pre-investments from FY22 that need to be added back and any other significant items in this proposed budget. Dr. Willett will complete this reconciliation for the February 2 meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Griffin