

Northbridge Public Schools Northbridge School Committee

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Northbridge Public Schools School Committee Budget Workshop Minutes Tuesday, January 27, 2020 7:00PM Northbridge High School Media Center

I. Call to Order (6:08PM)

II. Attendance

Michael LeBrasseur Present Bethany Cammarano Absent

Steven Falconer Present (Mr. Falconer arrived at 6:15PM)

Brian Paulhus Present Robert Dziekiewicz Present

Also in attendance Superintendent Amy McKinstry, Director of Business and Finance Melissa Walker, Jill Healy, Tim McCormick, John Zywien, Karlene Ross, Theresa Gould, Jeff Kozik, Greg Rosenthal, Greg Palmer, and Richard Maglione

III. Discussion

A. FY21 Draft Budget Review with Administration

Superintendent Amy McKinstry provided an overview of the budget approach for FY21, focusing on equity within the schools based on the specific needs of the schools and their students.

Director of Business and Finance Melissa Walker provided an overview of the current draft budget, identifying the main drivers of the year over year increase.

The committee then reviewed each site budget with the administrators.

The committee also had a conversation about current revenue scenarios to fund the budget. Ms. McKinstry and Mrs Walker will be meeting with Town Manager Adam Gaudette to discuss the FY21 town appropriation within the next couple of weeks, and further discussions will take place with the Budget Subcommittee and School Committee.

The Budget Subcommittee members agreed to cancel the February 4th meeting and would reschedule pending the meeting with the Town Manager.

IV. Adjournment (7:57PM)

The motion was made by Brian Paulhus to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Dziekiewicz.

A vote was taken by roll call and the following votes were recorded:

Michael LeBrasseur Yes
Bethany Cammarano Absent
Steven Falconer Yes
Brian Paulhus Yes
Robert Dziekiewicz Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative 0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0

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