

Brookfield Board of Education
Finance Committee
Minutes - Monday, August 8, 2022

Members Present: Rosa Fernandes, and Bob Belden. Also present were Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Business and Operations Director Ken Post, and Town Controller Marcia Marien. Member not present: Joy Greenstein

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 1:03PM by Mrs. Fernandes.

Public Comment: None

Board of Education Financial Reports

Check Registers: The committee reviewed the check register report.

June 2022 Financial Report: Mr. Post reported that the fiscal year ended with a deficit of \$62,417. He reported that this included \$93,639 in unbudgeted COVID costs and \$61,603 in unbudgeted Special Education Tuition costs. Additional significant overages were Substitutes, Professional Services, and Heating Oil. He also reported that savings of \$369,527 resulted from the freeze on non essential spending that was put in place on March 8th. Mr. Belden sent a request for a supplemental appropriation to the Board of Selectmen, which was approved on August 1st and has been forwarded to the Board of Finance.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Security Costs: The committee discussed the costs and possible funding sources for the plan recommended by the Security Task Force. They also discussed areas of opportunity as well as areas of risk in the operating budget.

Miscellaneous Discussion:

The committee discussed the need to begin meeting to discuss the 2023-2024 operating budget prior to the Superintendent's presentation to the full Board due to the late date of the December Board meeting.

Adjournment: 1:49PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth J. Post
Director of Business Operations