

## Minutes of the Hingham Advisory Committee Education Subcommittee

March 22, 2021 4:00pm

Remote meeting via Zoom

Chair Dave Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:02pm. He read the following statement:

***This meeting is being held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.***

ACES members present: Dave Anderson, Andrew McElaney, Evan Sheehan, Eryn Kelley, George Danis

School Committee Members present: Kerry Ni, Carlos DaSilva Ni, Libby Lewiecki, Liza O'Reilly, Michelle Ayer, Nes Correnti, Jen Benham,

HPS Admin present: Paul Austin, John Ferris, Jamie LaBillois

Dave Anderson, Chair of ACES, thanked Dr. Austin for his letter which provided a summary of proposed additions to the FY 22 budget.

G. Danis and E. Sheehan reiterated that the data presented in the letter is very helpful and made for the most thorough presentation. A. McElaney thanked Dr. Austin for answering many of his questions, acknowledged Dr. Jamie's extensive work on HTSS and the effect of COVID on it, acknowledged that the critical needs of the past combined with the pandemic needs resulted in a confluence of needs, and that the proposed budget is necessary.

On a motion made by Evan Sheehan and seconded by Eryn Kelley, ACES voted unanimously to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Hingham Public School budget of \$61,792,079 (including ESSR II and III which will be deducted from the full amount) with the understanding that all ESSR II and III funding will be directed to the schools.

D. Anderson thanked the administration and the School Committee for a collaborative process.

A McElaney expressed concern for deficits in years to come.

K. Ni thanked the ACES for their thoughtful, thorough process.

Dr. Austin thanked ACES for engaging with hard questions and efforts and thanked the School

Committee and the administrator for their hard work.

J. Ferris thanked everyone for getting through this tough process together.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:  
David Anderson