

**Rochester School Board
Finance Committee Minutes
School Department Board Room
March 5, 2018
6:00 PM**

Members Present:

Mr. Paul Lynch, Chair
Mr. Matthew Pappas, Vice-Chair
Mr. Matthew Beaulieu
Mr. Joseph Devine
Mrs. Audrey Stevens
Mrs. Karen Stokes
Mr. Robert Watson

Members Absent:

Also Present:

Mr. Michael Hopkins
Mrs. Linda Bartlett
Mrs. Christiane Allison
Mrs. Anne Grassie
Guests

Mr. Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with a quorum present.

Mr. Watson moved, second by Mr. Stevens, to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2018 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Update

Mrs. Bartlett, Business Administrator informed the Committee that we are still in a budget freeze. We have transferred funds to cover the Special Education costs at this time. The City Council will vote tomorrow night on the 1.2 million dollar supplemental appropriation.

FY 2019 Proposed Budget

Mr. Hopkins reviewed the Finance Committee budget.

Mr. Lynch asked when the district froze the budget. Mrs. Bartlett stated that it was in October and we have not received any additional supplies since that time. She stated she received two calls today from schools running out of paper.

A Special School Board meeting will be scheduled for March 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to move the Total FY 2019 Proposed Operating Budget in the amount of \$63,448,838 to the Board for first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to move the Special Grants Appropriation in the amount of \$3,410,000 to the Board for first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mr. Watson, to move the FY 2019 Food Service budget in the amount of \$1,800,000 to the Board for first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to move the Bonded Capital Improvement Program and Cash Capital Improvement Program budget in the amount of \$2,160,000 to the Board for first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Items from Personnel

Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Mr. Pappas, to recommend the Board approve the RFT request for the donation of up to twenty-six and one half sick days (26.5) of behalf of Para-Educator D.D. The motion carried unanimously.

Items from Building

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to recommend the Board approve the purchase of the Navigate System in the amount of \$31,000.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – None

Other – None

Adjournment

Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Mr. Pappas, to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Paul Lynch, Committee Chair