

Finance Committee Meeting  
Monday, February 20, 2012 6:00 PM Eastern

Bloomfield Board of Education 1133 Blue Hills  
Avenue Board Room  
1133 Blue Hills Avenue  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

1. Call to Order
2. Consent Agenda
  - 2.A. Review of Finance Committee Minutes: January 24, 2012
3. New Business
  - 3.A. Review Superintendent's Proposed 2012-2013 Budget
4. Adjournment

BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS – FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 6:00 p.m.  
Bloomfield Board of Education  
1133 Blue Hills Avenue  
Board Room

PRESENT: D. Seldon, Chair  
L. Mara  
S. True

ALSO PRESENT: D. Harris C. Leone B. Silvers  
J. Thompson M. R. Walters M. Williams

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

D. Seldon, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:06. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

### 2. CONSENT AGENDA

#### 2. A. Review of Finance Committee Minutes – December 13, 2011

D. Seldon requested approval of the minutes of the last committee meeting.

A motion was made by L. Mara and seconded by S. True that the Finance Committee members approve the minutes of the December 13, 2011. The motion passed unanimously.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

#### 3. A. Approval of Budget Transfers

C. Leone distributed and reviewed the budget transfers. He stated the budget transfers, in accordance with Board of Education Policy, are to balance the negative and positive line items. This approach keeps the line items current and tracks the actual amounts.

A motion was made by S. True and seconded by L. Mara that the Finance Committee members approve the budget transfers, as presented and be presented at the full Board of Education Meeting on February 14, 2012 for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. B. Preview of the 2012 – 2013 Budget

J. Thompson introduced the overview of the budget for 2012 – 2013. He stated there were four factors affecting the budget development process:

1. The budget amount is \$38,555,104, a zero percent increase from the current year.
2. The proposed budget included a 3% increase for teachers' salaries.
3. Three district priorities were considered while developing the budget: Academic Achievement, School Climate and Parent/Community Engagement.
4. The primary goal was to not have a negative impact on student services in the classroom.

C. Leone distributed the General Fund Expenditures Report and the Staffing Modifications and Programs/Other summary. C. Leone reviewed these documents in detail and responded to questions and comments by those present. Staffing modifications presented were supported by the rationale for the change and its impact. Difficult decisions were made throughout the budget development process.

It was noted that summer school (for mandated students and enrichment students) will be a five week/full day program this coming summer.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:51 p.m., a motion was made by L. Mara and seconded by S. True to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

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D. Seldon, Chair