

MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

FINANCIAL PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

Sept. 1, 2021

Members Present:

Maureen Ward, Chair Brian Walker (6:02)
Bill Brassard Whitney Marshall
Jim Boone Ron Tourigny (6:23)

Administration:

Dr. Sheila Harrity
Tammy Crockett, BA

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, S.18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing a strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District Financial Planning Subcommittee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen or watch the meeting may do so by accessing the meeting through Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91765131047?pwd=cjJmeXpQWHpZYkxxT1JLei90emQzZz09> No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real-time, via technological means. The website was reviewed and the meeting posting links did work to connect to the online meeting.

MOTION by Jim Boone to approve the minutes of May 5, 2021. Seconded by Bill Brassard.

Passed 4 -0

Tammy Crockett reviewed the status of the state budget and how that affected our FY 22 budget. With the removal of the ESSER funds and other changes implemented by the state Net School Spending increased by \$565,300; the Foundation Budget increase by \$521,470; We received \$1,863,968 in State Aid for Transportation – about \$352,678 over our estimated cost. E & D at 4% comes to an estimated \$550,000.

The Final FY 22 budget decreased by \$508,624 from \$29,114,049 to \$28,605,425. ESSER dollars will go back into grant for use on ONE time projects. Note that there was a \$751,266 decrease in total assessments and we are only 0.80% above Net School Spending.

Discussion included SOA (Student Opportunity Act) as this is year 1 of a seven year program so we do not know what the budget impact will be in coming years but we should not have a "cliff" effect as we did not factor ESSER funds into the operating budget.

MOTION by M. Ward to approve the final FY 22 budget of \$28,605,425 (\$18,075,091 in Revenues and \$10,527,334 in Assessments) as presented and further to submit it to the District Committee for approval. Seconded by W. Marshall **Unanimous.**

Thank you Tammy for an excellent presentation and for keeping on top of all the changed.

MOTION by Brian Walker to adjourn at 6:26. Seconded by Bill Brassard. **Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Moe Ward, Chair

