

**Board of Education Meeting
Public Hearing
Wednesday, May 8, 2019
High School Library
6:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Chris Farnan - Arrived 6:49
Jason Fernau
Susan Filburn
Lillian McCarthy – Absent
Jeanne Obermayer
Michael O'Donnell
Dorothy Sellers – Arrived at 6:45

STAFF PRESENT: Kenneth Slentz, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Susan Filburn called the Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2020 Budget to order at 6:37pm.

PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED FY 2020 BUDGET

Ken Slentz reminded everyone of the district's mission and outlined options for students upon graduation.

Mr. Slentz discussed the priorities of the district, and the key items the district would need to provide for students. He also highlighted what the district has been working on and would be working on in the future, through strategic planning.

Ken Slentz described how the district would deliver on the priorities for students, as well as address any issues that arise.

Mr. Slentz discussed balancing the budget which included the consolidation of instructional technology services as well as BOCES services, and the elimination of two FTE positions. He also discussed the necessity for restructuring schedules and assignments.

Brian Sirianni highlighted the components of the budget, general support, instruction, transportation, and undistributed, as well as explained changes between 2019 and 2020. He stated the budget increase was 0.15%, and described the budget drivers for FY 2020.

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Mr. Sirianni outlined each of the revenues lines for the 2020 budget including Foundation Aid, and illustrated the Aid from 2015 to the current year. He also detailed the State Aid as a percent of total revenues for past years and this year, in addition to sharing the percentage information for each revenue source.

Brian Sirianni discussed the Global PILOT assessment schedule, as well as the tax base growth regarding new growth in the district over the past six years. He connected the growth to global Foundries, and the businesses and people it had attracted.

Mr. Sirianni shared the projected tax rates for each of the towns in the district, and stated the changes were minimal and less than they were 10 years ago. He discussed the Tax Levy Cap calculation, and described the allowable cap vs the actual tax levy. He pointed out that the district was asking for a significantly lower rate than the Tax Cap allowable rate, and illustrated the allowed vs the actual rates via graph.

Brian Sirianni gave the next steps of the budget process including the dates for the town meetings, and reminded everyone that the vote was on May 21st.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE BUDGET

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Lillian McCarthy, seconded by Dorothy Sellers to at adjourn to the regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board