

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Monday, January 29, 2024, in the Board of Education Conference Room, 47 Main Street, Ellington, CT.

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Steve Viens.

PRESENT Chair Jennifer Dzen, Vice-Chair Kerry Socha, Steve Viens, Gary Blanchette, Marcia Kupferschmid, Angela Moser, Jennifer Mullin, Miriam Underwood, Dr. Lenora Williams

ABSENT Michael Young

ALSO PRESENT Ms. Alisha Carpino, Director of Finance and Operations
Dr. Scott Nicol, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Chuck Petruccione, Brown & Brown Insurance (virtual)

ADDITIONAL GUESTS Ms. Mary Cardin Town, Board of Selectmen
Mr. Logan Johnson Town, Board of Finance
Ms. Liz Nord, Former Board Member and Finance Committee Chair

AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion of the Superintendent's 2024-2025 Proposed Budget - Brown & Brown

Ms. Carpino continued the 2024-2025 budget discussion. Mr. Petruccione from Brown & Brown Insurance joined the meeting remotely to review the proposed budgetary increase to medical and dental. Along with medical and dental there was further discussion on facilities, athletic funding, and proposed cuts brought forward by Ms. Carpino and Dr. Nicol. Former Board Member and Finance Committee Chair, Liz Nord, was invited to share some information from her experience with the Finance Committee.

Committee members further reviewed the budget book and examined the proposed cuts. While no cuts were specifically targeted at this point, Dr. Nicol and Ms. Carpino were requested to review all line items and examine where further cuts could be made in addition to the list of cuts that were proposed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

First: S. Viens
Second: A. Moser
To adjourn the meeting of the Finance Committee (8:07 p.m.)
Motion carried unanimously.