

Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee
Meeting of February 15, 2023

Members Present: Maggie Charron
Judi Miller
Kate Potter
Angie Johnson
Lynn Collins
Mark Healey

1) Call to Order

Maggie Charron called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm in the Middle School Library.

1) Community Comments - Bethany Burke, parent from Dover, asked that her questions from the recent DEI Forum about SEL, Cultural Responsiveness, MTSS, and DEI relate to the curriculum. She also read a comment from Liz Panagoulis (Sherborn parent) requesting clarification on references made at a recent meeting to “old school” academics and “we are a public school” as well as when parents are notified of intervention determined by MTSS. Alexandra Frank, Sherborn parent, read comments written by her children regarding how their experiences at Pine Hill are beginning to remind them of their previous school which their family left when DEI work overtook academic focus.

Maggie Charron and several other committee members addressed the recent anonymous websites and letters that were circulated in both towns. The claims made suggesting nefarious intentions of the Equity Audit and other DEI initiatives were rebutted. Committee members thanked those that have participated in recent DEI forums and asked that all comments be expressed respectfully, not anonymously, to facilitate discussion.

2) FY24 Proposed Budget

- Operating
- Capital - A contingency amount \$100,000 has been added to the rooftop air handling unit replacement increasing the project total to \$1,200,000. Dover is responsible for \$647,400 and Sherborn \$552,600. The remaining projects total \$180,000 and will be funding within the current Regional budget.

Lynn Collins made a motion to approve the revised FY24 Capital Plan as presented. Judi Miller seconded.

23-05 VOTE: 6 - 0

- Local District Fee Summaries - Maggie Charron provided a memo summarizing her research into area school fees including for parking. After discussion the committee members decided to keep the parking fee at \$300 for FY24 and to request that the Administration not raise the fee for at least the next three years.

2) Adjournment at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Davis