

Minutes, Budget Subcommittee – October 2, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:00PM

In Attendance: L. Iovino, J. Froio, J. Leone, M. Drummey, L. Silverman, J. Oteri, T. Mertz, C. Keenan

Broad discussion of what individual members view as priorities for the 2017-2018 school year.

Mr. Leone sees 3 items that he feels are of importance: 1) the need for additional school librarians, 2) the need for more health teachers and 3) reducing the overall cost of transportation

Mr. Drummey agrees with the priorities set forth by Mr. Leone. Additionally, Mr. Drummey sees the need for a grant writer either for all city departments or one specifically for the school department.

Mr. Silverman wants to enlarge our social/emotional footprint, with an active K-12 curriculum and through professional development workshops.

Mr. Froio would like to see an increase as much as possible in vocational education workshops, and he would like to see a re-vitalization of the CAN program that we had several years ago. Mr. Froio also agrees that there should be more health teachers and additional school librarians.

Mr. Iovino sees the need to establish a second gifted and talented class at either the Beebe or the Forestdale School. This proposal would require hiring two (2) additional teachers, clearly a money issue.

Mr. Oteri sees the need for a director of human resources as well as a director of guidance. He also sees the need for added classroom space to bring students back from out of district placements.

The meeting adjourned at 6:29PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Leonard Iovino, Co-chair, Budget Subcommittee