

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE MALDEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Monday, February 6, 2017
Malden Senior Center 7 Washington Street

Meeting called to order by Leonard Iovino, subcommittee chair at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Dr. Grandson, Leonard Iovino, John Froio, Jerry Leone, Mike Drummey, Larry Silverman, Carol Keenan, Interim Asst. Superintendent

1. We still as of this date have no firm budget number, thus our discussions lack finality and all we do is speak of what we want in the budget.
2. Re Chapter 70 reimbursement from the state shows a likely increase of \$20.00 per student. With our student enrollment of 6804 that can yield an extra \$136,880.00. That figure is preliminary from The House of Representatives, it is hopeful that the senate version of the budget could give us an increase of \$40.00 per student.
3. Dr. Grandson has informed this subcommittee that transportation, homeless and SPED transportation will be a good deal more than last year, totaling about \$3,000,000 approximately. We may be forced to look at areas to cut to make up for the shortfall.
4. As of this date Ms. Keenan reports that all classes with 30 or more students each have a certified, retired educator working in that classroom.
5. Again no budget figure for Circuit Breaker line item for SPED.
6. Discussion about the technology line item in the budget, is the figure enough??? also questions about the \$500,000 set aside for the purchase of Chromebooks for grades 9-12 at Malden High School, questions asked is it possible to outfit one grade per year at the high school. Teachers and students are huge fans of the Google Classroom

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Iovino