BUDGET WORKING SESSION OF THE NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL COMMITTEE "MINUTES"

PRESENT:

MAYOR MITCHELL, MR. AMARAL, DR. FINNERTY (arr. 6:50 P.M.),

MR. LIVRAMENTO, MR. NOBREGA, MR. OLIVEIRA

ABSENT:

MR. COTTER

IN ATTENDANCE:

DR. DURKIN, MR. DEFALCO, DR. RABINOVITCH, MS. EMSLEY, MR. O'LEARY,

MR. CARVALHO, MR. TETREAULT, MS. WALMSLEY, MRS. DUNAWAY (Recording

Secretary)

A presentation was given to the Committee at the fourth budget working session. This presentation was given as an overview of key elements of the FY17 Budget.

School Committee Budget Working Session # 4

May 2, 2016

Budget Calendar

October through December

- Cost center planning meetings are held. Initial budget planning estimates are determined
- Meetings are held with building principals to introduce financial system and oversee the input of budget requests
- Sub Committee on Finance and city CFO are updated on initial budget projections

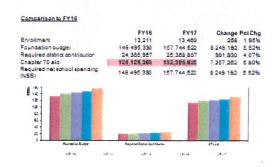
February/March

- Analysis of the Governor's annual proposed budget
- Initial estimates for annual budget are provided to School Committee.
 April/May
- Budget workshops #1-#4 are held
- Budget balanced and document is finalized early in May.
- Submission of a balanced budget and document to School Committee

Forecasting needs (Fall 2016)

Need	Cost
Full Day Fridays	\$1,000,000
Twelve ESL Teachers (\$60,000)	\$720,000
Third & final payment of Reading St.	\$559,818
Second Payment for Envision Math	\$335,275
Technology Maintenance Agreements	\$341,770
Facilities Maintenance Agreements	\$136,145
Technology replacement cycle (\$750)	\$750,000
FOSS Science Kits Grades 5-8 & PD	\$714,930
Reading Specialists (k-5) (\$60,000)	\$480,000
Hayden-McFadden SRG grant - loss	\$218,000
FDK Grant -loss	\$320,000
Contingencies	\$1,929,004
Total Preliminary Total	\$7,504,942

Calculating FY17 Spending



Net School Spending

DESE Category	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	FY17 Budget
Administration (1000)	3,073,130	3,265,726	3,455,100
Instruction (2000)	83,353,691	85,223,356	89,937,582
Attendance-Health (5100, 3200) Athletics/Student Activities/Security	2,569,143	2,564,340	3,098,703
(3500, 3600)	1,217,582	1,329,852	1,468,441
Maintenance (4000)	11,203,509	11,433,267	11,488,642
Insurance (5200)	538,579	1,926,670	2,013,890
Rentals (5300)	5,500	363,388	959,007
Tuition (9000)	4,598,526	3,611,763	3,854,000
Total		\$	116,275,365

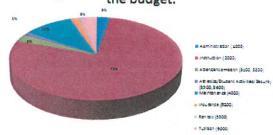
Non-Net School Spending

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DESE Category	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	FY17 Budget
Transportation (3000)	8,853,891	8,064,082	9,768,607
Crossing Guards (5550)		59,400	64,350
Transportation Non-Public Schools			
(6900)	158,400	172,800	172,800
Acquisition of Vehicles (7500)	118,808	27,000	27,000
Total			10,224,635

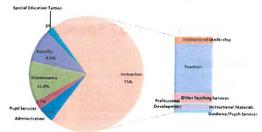
Total Budget for FY17

Net School Spending	\$ 116,275,365
Non Net School Spending	\$ 10,224,635
Total	\$126,500,000

Instructional categories comprise 78% of the budget.



Foundation Formula – Recommended percentages across categories



What is included in the FY17 Budget

- Full Day Fridays (24 FTEs)
- 4 additional School Adjustment Counselors
- New Turnaround Plan for Hayden McFadden
- 12 new ELL Teachers, 3 new ELL paraprofessional and ELL instructional materials
- · \$120,000 for conversion of carpets to Vinyl Tile
- Second payment of three payments for Envision Math - \$335,275

What is included in the FY17 Budget <- cont'd

- · Increased Transportation Budget
- · Unit A Collective Bargaining Agreement
- Facilities Maintenance Safety Contracts
- Technology Maintenance Network/Software agreements
- \$300,000 for Technology replacement plan
- Craftsperson \$40,000
- · \$200,000 Alternative Education enhancement

Additional FTEs for FY 17

# and Category	Where	Why
10 Health Teachers K-5	Elementary Schools	Full Day Friday
05 PhysicalEd. Teachers K-5	Elementary Schools	Full Day Friday
04 Art Teachers K-5	Elementary Schools	Full Day Friday
04 Music Teachers K-5	Elementary Schools	Full Day Friday
01 Technology Teacher K-5	ElementarySchools	Full Day Friday
09 ELL Teachers K-S	Elementary Schools	Provide mandated services
03 ELL Teachers 6-8	Middle Schools	Provide mandated services
01 Assistant Principal	Hayden McFadden	New Turnaround Plan
01 Behavior Assistant	Hayden McFadden	New Turnaround Plan
01 Media Teacher	Hayden McFadden	New Turnaround Plan
01 School Adjustment Teacher	Hayden McFadden	New Turnaround Plan
01 Confidential Secretary	Hayden Mcfadden	New Turnaround Plan

FY17 Level Service & Enhancements

Increases:

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 Instructional 	\$4,714,226
 Out-of-District Tuition 	\$ 241,037
 Transportation 	\$1,702,460
 Maintenance 	\$ 55,375
Athletics	\$ 100,500
Leases	\$ 595,619
 All Other Cost Centers 	\$ 290,783
Total Cost Increases:	\$7, 700,000

What is <u>not</u> included in the FY 17 Budget

- · Science materials and textbooks \$714,930
- 10 Reading Specialists \$600,000, If feasible the expense will be moved to a grant
- Third Payment for Reading Street -\$559,818, to be prepaid with vacancy savings
- Technology replacement costs reduced from \$750,000 to \$300,000
- Additional classroom instructional material -\$25/child \$325,000

Additional FTEs for FY 17

04 School Adjustment Councilors K-5	Elementary	Mental Health Needs
04 Special Ed. Facilitators K-S	Elementary	Special Education Needs
01 ELL Paraprofessional	Elementary	SLIFE
01 ELL Paraprofessional	Middle	SLIFE
01 ELL Paraprofessional	High	SLIFE
02 Grade 5 Teachers	Renaissance	Innovation Plan
01 Craftsperson	PRAB/District	Maintenance Plan
Total Increase in FTEs	K-12	55 FTEs

Next Steps...

School Committee

Final FY17 Budget for Public Hearing on Monday, May 9th at 6:00pm

- · -Vote on net school spending budget amount
- · -Vote on non-net school spending amount
- · -Vote on total FY17 Budget

Ms. Emsley delivered the breakdown of what the funding for legal fees are used for:

Contract negotiations: 35%

Arbitrations: 52%

Unfair Labor Practices: 8%Misc/Advice issues: 5%

Mr. O'Leary reminded the Committee that three separate votes would be needed at the next meeting in regard to the budget:

- Net School Spending
- Non-Net School Spending
- Final Budget

Mayor Mitchell inquired about savings in regard to utilities. Dr. Rabinovitch answered that the projection in utility costs may show a possible reduction, but he was not comfortable making any cuts at this time.

Mr. Tetreault addressed the Committee explaining that additional technicians are needed to handle the scope of work required to get our technology at a good position. Dr. Durkin also commented that staffing and professional development is needed for instructional purposes. Laptops give teachers tools to deliver digital instruction as well as upgraded computer labs.

A discussion continued on possible plans for upgrades, staff and equipment in regard to technology.

Dr. Durkin concluded by commenting that the Accelerated Improvement Plan is based on results and should not be taken for granted and there has been good growth which must be sustained and increased. The district is committed to advancement, enhancement and taking care of those that struggle.

At 8:25 P.M., on a motion by Mr. Amaral and seconded by Mr. Livramento, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mayor Mitchell – Yes

Mr. Amaral - Yes

Mr. Cotter – Absent

Mr. Livramento - Yes

Mr. Nobrega – Yes

Dr. Finnerty - Yes

Mr. Oliveira - Yes

6 - Yeas

0 - Nays

1 - Absent

Respectfully Submitted by,

Lisa P. Dunaway

Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,

Pia Durkin, Ph.D.

Superintendent,

Secretary/School Committee