Municipal Budget Committee Minutes of the Public Meeting Kearsarge Regional School District 10/13/2020

| I. Call to Order | Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Richard Anderson (C) |
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| II. Pledge of Allegiance | |
| III. Roll Call | Present: Richard Anderson – New London |
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| | Robert Hemenway – Newbury |
| | Brian Dumais – New London |
| | Robert DeFelice – Sutton |
| | Peter Anderson – Warner (delayed but present) |
| | James Bibbo – Bradford |
| | Tom Schamberg- Wilmot |
| | Luke Gorman – Springfield |
| | David Bates - Warner |
| | Winfried Feneberg – Superintendent |
| | Larry LeBoeuf – Business Administrator |
| | Michael Bessette – Asst. Superintendent |
| | Ken Bartholomew – School Board (C) |
| | Ben Cushing – School Board Rep. |
| IV. Approval of | No minutes to approve |
| Minutes | |
| V. Public Comment | No Public Comment |
| VI. New Business | School Board Overview: Supt. Feneberg stated the benefit for the joint MBC/ |
| | SB meetings, MBC is getting an overview of what the school budget looks like |
| | as presented to the SB by the building administrations. Each MBC members |
| | receives a Budget book that includes detailed information about the proposed |
| | budget. |
| | Supt. Feneberg then talked in-depth about the four areas of need across the |
| | district reflected in and accordance to the district strategic plan. |
| | The district attempts to predict fiscal year 22' due to Covid-19 some of which is |
| | strictly driven by DHHS and CDC guidelines and the possible length of the |
| | pandemic. The district continues to look at and maintain class size and |
| | classroom size as enrollment patterns change. There was a discussion about |
| | adding staff in certain buildings based on student population and immediate |
| | needs. Lastly, the district continues energy efficiency, modernizing and |
| | maintaining facilities across the district, creating efficient and healthy learning |
| | environments. |
| | There was lengthy conversation with questions and concerns about the impacted |
| | on the taxpayers from each of the MBC members. The MBC would like to have |
| | a breakdown on Administrative staff in other districts. Supt. Feneberg noted this |
| | request and will gather information based on districts similar to KRSD. |
| | There was a discussion about where the district has cut back for this budget, |
| | noting the district has been able to maintain very low increases to the budget |
| | several years in a row. Budget savings has come from different areas each year, |
| | it is hard to pinpoint any one area. |
| | The district has experienced an influx of students across the grade levels with |
| | many students choosing home schooling, the district is anticipating home |
| | schooled students will return to in-person learning. There was a discussion |
| | about the area's impact with new registration, KRSD is not the only district |
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| | experiences this. It was noted that the |

| | The SB has approved the budget at the last meeting as it stands with no modifications. The overall consensus of the MBC agrees the district has consistently done a good job with the budget but again are concerned about the impact to the tax payers. *Executive Summary / Goals Discussion:* The district continues to move toward the district goals in accordance to the strategic plan. At the October 22 nd SB |
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| | meeting there will be a presentation about district wide testing and where our student's needs may be. *Budget Data Structure and Charts:* Mr. LeBoeuf stated he has been using the same format for Budget and Charts for twelve years. There was a question about towns' revenues. Mr. LeBoeuf indicated all revenues are coming in as usual. |
| | It was a mutual decision that the MBC members will to take a closer look at what was presented and have a dialog with questions and comments for the next meeting. |
| VII. Old Business | No old business |
| IX. Adjourn | Tom Schamberg made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Brian |
| | Dumais seconded. Motion passed 9/0/0 |

Respectfully submitted,