

East Lyme Public Schools
FFO Committee Meeting
 Monday, November 20, 2017
 Location: Main Office Conference Room, ELHS
 6:00 p.m.

East Lyme Public Schools will inspire, engage and educate each student to become a contributing citizen and a responsible, independent, and critical thinker

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Members Present: Eric Bauman (BOE) Eric Bauman (Co-Chair), Barbara Senges (Co-Chair), Jill Carini, Leigh Gianakos, Al Littlefield, Jeffrey Newton (Superintendent)

Others Present: Amy Drowne (Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment), Maryanna Stevens (Director of Finance, Marketing and Growth Management)

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Time:	Agenda Discussion Topic:	Discussion Purpose and Desired Outcome:	Minutes:
6:00 - 6:15	Budget Status Review and Proposed Budget Transfers for FY 18	Budget update to understand current actuals (which accounts are on track and which are high or low) and if any transfers are needed. Also, transparency of the budget process.	Reviewed current state of budget. Discussed lines 111, 121, and line 211. Line 211 and line 111 will be budgeted more accurately for 2018-2019. Discussed projected shortfalls in electricity and water/sewer charges. Committee approves of added columns on report. Briefly discussed further cuts that will be needed to cover State cut.
6:15 – 6:25	Coastal Connections Program Financial Review	Review Coastal connections to compare the cost to ELHS students. Rent should be removed from the cost of a Coastal Connection student as this is not included in the cost of an ELHS student. Goal is to make the cost of Coastal Connection Students and ELHS students to be similar (not necessarily the same).	<p>A review of per pupil cost indicates no significant difference in per pupil cost, especially given that some of the students in CC would have been outplaced or required tutoring if they had not been placed in the program.</p> <p>Mr. Susi reported that he and CC Administration will present The CC Program at LEARN roundtables for Assistant Superintendents and Special Ed Directors to encourage enrollment from other districts.</p> <p>Discussed the need for Goals and metrics on the success of the program to be presented to AAA Committee, full Board and community.</p>

6:25 – 6:50	Cost Saving Discussion and Measures	Brainstorm on ideas for Cost Savings based on potential reductions due to CT Budget and for 2018-19 and to fund Social Workers this year.	This discussion was shortened due to extended time spent on discussion of Coastal Connections. Brief discussion of cooperative purchasing, SPED transportation, shared snowplowing, building subs, and overtime.
6:50 – 6:55	CIP/10-Year Maintenance Plan Ad hoc Committee Update	Update on the 11/14/17 Ad hoc Committee Meeting.	Committee met without BOF representatives. Superintendent will ask Elementary School Contractors to create list of projects for Middle School and High School.
Future Agenda Items:	Agenda Discussion Topic:	Discussion Purpose and Desired Outcome:	Minutes: