

MINUTES

The annual Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. budget meeting was held on June 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Olenn Auditorium at Wells High School. The meeting was called by posting of warrants in Wells and Ogunquit. Registered voters from Wells and Ogunquit as well as non-voters were present.

School Committee members attending included Chair Marc Saulnier, Vice Chair Diana Allen, Helena Ackerson, Sarah Tavares and Cory Thyng.

Administrators in attendance included Superintendent Ellen Schneider, Chris Chessie, Marianne Horne, Jim Daly, Ryan Fairchild, Cheryl Mills, Rick Kusturin, Michael Richards, Pat Hayden, Eileen Sheehy and Ken Spinney.

Chair Saulnier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He welcomed the audience and reviewed the budget process with attendees.

Superintendent Schneider called for nominations for a moderator.

Article 1

To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

Moved: Cory Thyng	I move to place the name of Gregory Im in nomination for
Seconded: Sarah Tavares	Moderator
Vote: 3 written votes	

By written vote, Mr. Im is declared moderator and is sworn in by Chair Saulnier.

Superintendent Schneider gave a brief explanation of the proposed FY '15 budget.

Article 2

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
School Committee Recommends: \$9,212,795.30

Moved: Marc Saulnier	I move to follow the recommendation of the School
Seconded: Diana Allen	Committee and appropriate \$9,212,795.30 for Regular
Vote: 43-0	Instruction

Article 3

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Special Education.
School Committee Recommends: \$3,401,392.88

Moved: Helena Ackerson	I move to approve Article 3 in the amount of \$3,401,392.88
Seconded: Sarah Tavares	
Vote: 48-0	

Article 4

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.
School Committee Recommends: \$9,330.00

Moved: Sarah Tavares I move to approve Article 4 in the amount of \$9,330.00
Seconded: Helena Ackerson
Vote: 48-0

Discussion: a resident asked for the number of students in this program. The answer was 18.

Article 5

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction including summer school and extra-curricular instruction.
School Committee Recommends: \$631,722.35

Moved: Diana Allen I move to approve Article 5 in the amount of \$631,722.35
Seconded: Cory Thyng
Vote: 49-0

Article 6

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.
School Committee Recommends: \$2,100,096.62

Moved: Helena Ackerson I move to approve Article 6 in the amount of \$2,100,096.62
Seconded: Sarah Tavares
Vote: 49-0

Article 7

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for System Administration.
School Committee Recommends: \$601,099.23

Moved: Marc Saulnier I move to approve Article 7 in the amount of \$601,099.23
Seconded: Diana Allen
Vote: 48-1

Article 8

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for School Administration.
School Committee Recommends: \$1,060,896.10

Moved: Cory Thyng I move to approve Article 8 in the amount of \$1,060,896.10
Seconded: Diana Allen
Vote: 48-0

Article 9

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.
School Committee Recommends: \$1,051,983.01

Moved: Marc Saulnier I move to approve Article 9 in the amount of \$1,051,983.01
Seconded: Sarah Tavares
Vote: 48-0

Article 10

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.
School Committee Recommends: \$2,599,422.98

Moved: Diana Allen I move to approve Article 10 in the amount of \$2,599,422.98
Seconded: Helena Ackerson
Vote: 48-1

Article 11

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.
School Committee Recommends: \$2,360,339.08

Moved: Diana Allen I move to approve Article 11 in the amount of \$2,360,339.08
Seconded: Cory Thyng
Vote: 49-0

Article 12

To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures including school lunch.
School Committee Recommends: \$166,090.80

Moved: Sarah Tavares I move to approve Article 12 in the amount of \$166,090.80
Seconded: Marc Saulnier
Vote: 46-7 (only 51 voters in attendance)

Discussion: a resident asked why this number went up so much. The answer is because of declining participation and rising food costs.

Article 13

To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the District will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, §15688. Recommended amounts set forth below:

Total Appropriated by municipality		Total raised (and District assessments by municipality)	
Town of Wells:	\$10,963,222	Town of Wells:	\$10,398,497
Town of Ogunquit:	\$ 3,139,469	Town of Ogunquit	\$ 2,977,752
School District Total		School District Total	
Appropriated:	<u> </u>	Raise:	<u> </u>
(Sum of above)	\$14,102,690	(Sum of above)	\$13,376,249

Moved: Marc Saulnier
 Seconded: Diana Allen
 Vote: 48-0

I move to follow the recommendation of the School Committee and appropriate \$14,102,690 and to raise and assess Wells \$10,398,497 and Ogunquit \$2,977,752 as their contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A § 15688. The total amount is \$13,376,249.

Article 14

To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the District voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

School Committee Recommends: \$2,360,339.08

Moved: Helena Ackerson
 Seconded: Diana Allen
 Vote: 47-0

I move to approve Article 14 in the amount of \$2,360,339.08

Article 15 (Written ballot required)

To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$6,524,782.11), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (\$6,204,347.70) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee.

Moved: Cory Thyng
Seconded: Sarah Tavares
Vote: 42-8-1 (empty ballot)

I move to follow the recommendation of the School Committee and raise and appropriate \$6,524,782.11 in additional local funds which Exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$6,204,347.70 as required to fund the budget recommended by the Wells-Ogunquit CSD School Committee

Article 16

To see what sum the District will authorize the Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, §15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee Recommends: \$23,195,168.35

Moved: Sarah Tavares
Seconded: Marc Saulnier
Vote: 44-0

I move to approve Article 16 in the amount of \$23,195,168.35

Article 17

In addition to amounts authorized in Articles 2 through 16, shall the School Committee be authorized pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. §1706 to transfer up to \$200,000.00 from undesignated balances at the end of the 2013-2014 fiscal year to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established by District voters and shall the School Committee be further authorized to expend up to \$135,573.00 from this reserve fund to finance the following capital expenses which include, but are not limited to:

- Painting–WES & WJHS: \$24,000
- Replacement Windows-WJHS & Facilities Building: \$22,335
- Duct Cleaning–WES & WJHS: \$30,500
- Additional Fencing-Fields: \$10,600
- Replace Leaking Heating Pipes-WES: \$10,000
- Install Concrete Pad-Warrior Memorial Field: \$28,188
- Install Secure Entry Foyer-WJHS: \$5,150
- Electrical Work-Fields & WJHS Garage: \$4,800

School Committee Recommends: Approval

Moved: Cory Thyng
 Seconded: Diana Allen
 Vote: 43-7

I move to authorize to transfer up to \$200,000 from undesignated balances at the end of the 2013-2014 fiscal year to the capital reserve fund and authorize to expend up to \$135,573.00 from this reserve fund

Discussion: a resident asked about the replacement windows; the answer was they not the windows that were recently replaced. A resident asked about the field items; the answer was these are in addition to the recent field renovations. A resident asked why we needed a concrete pad under the bleachers instead of the crushed stone that is in place; the answer is it was suggested by the contractor installing the bleachers and the crushed stone will be repurposed. A resident asked what the surplus will be at the end of FY '14; the answer was +/- \$530,000 of which \$200,000 will go into the capital reserve fund and the rest will help fund the FY '15 budget.

ARTICLE 18

To see what sum the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District will appropriate for Adult Community Education and to see what sum the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District will raise as the local share with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

School Committee recommends an appropriation of \$268,048.53 and to raise the local share of \$147,624.00

Moved: Diana Allen
 Seconded: Cory Thyng
 Vote: 47-0

I move to approve Article 18 in the amount of \$268,048.53 and to raise \$147,624.00

ARTICLE 19

In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Committee be authorized to expend such sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

School Committee Recommends: Approval

Moved: Sarah Tavares

I move to approve Article 19 as read

Seconded: Helena Ackerson

Vote: 43-2

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Diana Allen

Seconded: Sarah Tavares

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria M. Aldridge
Recording Secretary