



# WOCSD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## MISSION STATEMENT

*The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. commits to ensuring that each scholar develops the social, academic, critical and creative thinking skills necessary to meet with success in college, career, citizenship and life. The responsibility for education is shared by student, family, school and community.*

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## MINUTES

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee held a **Public Hearing** meeting on Wednesday, **March 28, 2018** at 6:30pm in the Wells Junior High School Ward Gymnasium, 1470 Post Road, Wells, Maine.

School Committee members attending were: Jason Vennard, Vice-Chair; Karen MacNeill, Miranda Booth, Boriana Dolliver, and Heather Sittig. Helena Ackerson, Chair Helena Ackerson was absent.

Administrators in attendance were: Jim Daly, Superintendent; Ed McDonough, Dir. of Finance; Stacey Schatzabel, Dir. of Instruction/SPED; Michael Richards, Dir. of Technology; Jay Moore, Dir. of Operations; Chris Chessie, Dir. Adult Education; Eileen Sheehy, WHS Principal; Josh Gould, WHS Asst. Principal; Jack Molloy, WHS Student Act. Dir.; Bob Griffin, WJHS Principal; AJ Dufort, WJHS Asst. Principal; April Noble, WES Principal; and Theresa Curran, WES Asst. Principal.

Others present were: Maryanne Foley; Reg Bennett; Cindy Roche; Tim Roche; Ogunquit Town Manager, Patricia Finnigan. York County Coast Star report, Donna Buttarazzi, was also present.

In Chair Ackerson's absence, Vice-Chair Vennard conducted the hearing.

### 1. **Call to Order/ Mission Statement**

Vice-Chair Vennard called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

### 2. **Public Hearing – FY '19 Preliminary Budget**

-Supt. Daly opened this section of the meeting by explaining the budget process and the steps leading to a final figure:

- process began in October - goal of less than 3%
- administrators met with staff during Nov-Dec
- principals and directors' budgets presented in December
- no positions were cut in the process
- key drivers: - estimated 9% health insurance increase
  - 3 % increase on salaries/step increases
  - addition of two (2) additional School Resource Officer (SRO) positions
- result: \$742,343 increase – 2.88%

Supt. Daly noted that several area school district budgets are reflecting a much higher increase:

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| ▪ Cape Elizabeth – 3.5% | ▪ Kennebunk – 5.1%                   |
| ▪ Falmouth – 5.7%       | ▪ Portland – 9.0%                    |
| ▪ Yarmouth – 4.0%       |                                      |
| ▪ York – 4.62%          | ▪ Wells/Ogunquit – <u>below</u> 3.0% |

-He explained that :

- Total K-12 Program Budget = \$ 26,515,557
- Less State Revenue - 1,359,548
- Less Local Non Tax Revenue - 30,000
- Total Local Cost to Towns = \$ 25,126,009

Per L.D. 1725, Local Cost to Towns is calculated using property valuation (66.7%) and school enrollment (33.3%):

- Total to be raised by Wells = \$ 19,765,571
- Total to be raised by Ogunquit = \$ 5,360,438
- Total Local Share = \$ 25,126,009

The estimated 2018 tax increase would be:

- Wells: \$.15 per thousand
- Ogun: \$.01 per thousand

Using a base of a \$300,000 home, this would equate to a property tax increase/decrease of:

- Wells: \$ 45.00/year
- Ogun: \$ 3.00/year

Supt. Daly noted upcoming meeting/event dates pertinent to the completion of the budget process:

- Wednesday, April 4, 2018 – School Committee adopts final budget
- Wednesday, May 2, 2018 - School Committee issues warrants
- Wednesday, June 6, 2018- School Committee Budget Meeting
- Tuesday, June 12, 2018 - Budget Referendum vote

### 3. Public Comment

-there was no public comment

-Vice-Chair Vennard publically thanked Supt. Daly for his diligence in creating a fiscally-sound budget that supports students.

### 4. Adjournment

-Vice-Chair Vennard called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

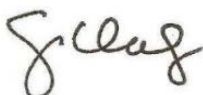
**Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:50pm.**

**Moved:** Booth

**Seconded:** MacNeill

**Vote:** 5-0  
(Ackerson absent)

Respectfully submitted,



James P. Daly, Secretary  
Wells-Ogunquit School Committee