



# North Haven Public Schools

North Haven, Connecticut 06473

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## THE NORTH HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

**5 LINSLEY STREET**

**NORTH HAVEN, CT 06473**

January 11, 2022 @ 6 p.m

### SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET MEETING

#### **MINUTES**

Attendance: Anita Anderson, Joseph Solimene, Randi Petersen, Goldie Adele, Amanda Gabriele, Ronald Bathrick, Eleni Diakogeorgiou, Marie Devlin (virtual), Jen Stewart, Director of Student Services, Howard Wardlow, Director of Finance, Operation, and Human Services, Melinda McKenna, Assistant Superintendent (virtual), Patrick Stirk, Superintendent of Schools

Jennifer Cecarelli was absent.

January 11, 2022  
6:00 PM

1. 2022-2023 Superintendent's Budget Recommendation/ Priorities

Mr. Stirk opened the meeting informing the Board that once again the majority of the budget is contractual obligations and insurance costs.

Mr. Stirk presented his power point presentation highlighting the following:

- NHPs Vision Statement
- NHPs District Mission
- Vision of a Graduate
- Superintendent's Responsibilities
- Superintendent's Budget Priorities 2022-2023
- What NHPs will provide through this budget
- Internal and External Factors
- Per Pupil Expenditures
- Budget Proposal
  - Approved 2021-2022 Budget - \$58,470,730
  - Proposed 2022-2023 Budget - \$60,166,330
  - Proposing an increase of 2,9% or \$1,695,600
- Proposed Increase

- Budget Overview
- Budget Drivers
- Planning for the future

Mr. Wardlow gave an explanation of the Budget Overview stating once again the main drivers to this budget are contractual obligations and insurance. Mr. Wardlow also explained that there three positions currently being paid by the ESSER Grant, that he is proposing bringing to the Operational Budget at this time. The Board had questions regarding this and Mr. Wardlow explained that this is something that he had planned on doing to secure these positions, as they were being funded by ESSER for only one year (2021-2022).

There were more questions from the Board and Mr. Wardlow answered accordingly.

## 2. Special Education

Mrs. Stewart reported on:

- Out of district tuition
- Contracted Services
- Professional Tech. Services

Mrs. Stewart explained how each of these services work and impact the district and the budget. She answered all questions the Board asked in great detail.

## 3. Elementary Schools

Mrs. Preneta (Montowese), Mr. Strickland (Green Acres), and Mr. McLaughlin (Ridge Road) were all in attendance.

Mrs. Anderson stated that there was not much out of the ordinary in the Elementary budget request and asked the principals if they will have enough to meet the needs of the students and teachers for the upcoming school year. Each principal stated that they indeed have requested enough to meet the needs of both the students and the teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. They each wanted to thank their teachers for their planning for the upcoming school year.

## 4. Adjournment

Motion: to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

Approved

MOVED: Amanda Gabriele  
 SECOND: Goldie Adele  
 AYE: 8  
 NAY: 0  
 ABSTAINED: 0

Respectfully submitted,  
*Anita Anderson*  
 Anita Anderson, Chairperson