

LINCOLN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LINCOLN, RI 02865
MEETING MINUTES
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE

DATE: January 11, 2018

PLACE: Lincoln High School - Conference Room
135 Old River Road
Lincoln, RI 02865

TIME: 5:00PM

Members Present: Kristine Donabedian, Joseph Goho, Staci Rapko Bruckner
Also Present: Georgia Fortunato, Lori Miller, Caroline Frey, Kevin McNamara, Gregory O'Connor

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

No Right to be Heard

- I. Approval of January 10, 2018 Budget Subcommittee Minutes passed 3-0 vote.
- II. The committee along with the administration had conversations on options to decrease the budget. Mr. McNamara was asked about his class sizes, primarily in the areas of electives. The committee had asked for him to look at classes that could be offered through the virtual learning rather than face to face. The repurposing and consolidation of positions were discussed. The committee along with administration agree that elimination of staffing positions would be the last resort in the effort in finding savings within the proposed budget.

Mr. O'Connor was asked to explain line items within the athletic budget as well as prioritize the needs of the district. Chet Nichols field was discussed. The school department was given information at the beginning of this school year that the town would take partial if not half financial responsibility of the upkeep and safety of the field. Mr. O'Connor was informed that recently the town has no money nor the intention of providing support to make the field safe and or playable. The committee reports that the field is owned by the town and hopes that this would be rectified. The district has a commitment to provide a safe playing field for our student athletes, so the field will continue to be a school department priority.

The committee will meet again on January 24, 2018 and will look at the elementary school budgets.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm. Motion made by Joseph Goho. Seconded by Staci Rapko Bruckner.

Staci Rapko-Bruckner

Date