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WINOOSKI SCHOOLS

We are the future.

All students will graduate from the Winooski School District (WSD) college and career ready at a cost supported by a majority of the Winooski community. WSD students will lead healthy, productive and successful lives and engage with their local and global community.

Superintendent's Board Report

Discussion/Action Items: The Winooski administration recommends that the board review backup for the following items and approve all of the action items in the Consent Agenda. *Notes about specific agenda items are in bold below:*

4. Focus on Learning: (45 Minutes)

- a. Celebration for Lucas Zweeres
- b. Youth Restorative Justice Presentation
- c. Overview of curriculum adoption process

Michael Eppolito and several staff members have worked hard this year in preparation to implement an exciting new curriculum in both ELA and Math. This is another example of the district being proactive relative to a concern made in the Equity Audit around the need to improve our curricula in these 2 areas. They will be presenting this information tonight.

5. Consent Agenda: (5 Minutes)

- a. Minutes of Meetings
 - i. Capital Project Executive Committee Meeting: May, 2022
 - ii. Regular Board Meeting: May 2022
- b. Policy Title: 2.3 Financial Condition and Activities
 - i. Approval of Bills
- c. Policy Title: 2.7 Compensation and Benefits
 - i. Keegan Bliss: LT Substitute Teacher Special Education WHS
 - ii. Jennifer Durran: Math Teacher (WMHS)

- iii. Ian Meunier: Math Teacher (WMHS)
- iv. Tiffany Rossi: 4th Grade Special Educator
- d. Policy Title: 2.8 Communication and Support to the Board

- i. Superintendent Report

I am completing my time here at Winooski as of Friday, June 10. Sean will be back on Monday, June 13. It has been an absolute pleasure to have been your Interim Superintendent over the last 4 months. Winooski is a special place, and the Winooski Schools mirror that specialness. I wish you the very best as you finish up on your amazing construction project, transition to a new curriculum, continue to improve upon something that is already a strength of yours - your diversity, add 2 new members to your wonderful Leadership Team, implement your new and exciting PreK program into the school, and begin the process to repair the damage caused by the recent RIF controversy. I hope I will be invited back in November to see the finished product with your construction.

- e. Policy Title: 4.2.2 Create Written Governing Policies
 - i. Approval/Adoption: 2nd Reading Policy # 3546 Capitalization of Assets
 - ii. Approval/Adoption: 2nd Reading Policy# 3547 Prevention of Conflict of Interest in Procurement
 - iii. Approval/Adoption: 2nd Reading Policy # 3548 Travel Reimbursement:
- f. Policy Title: 4.2.2 Board Job Description
 - i. Approve Recommendation of FY23 Food Service Contract
 - ii. Approve Transportation bid from STA

6. **Governance Processes (Policy Section IV):** (60 Minutes)

- a. Policy Title: 4.1.4 Governing Style: Board Development
 - i. Discussion/Action: Vice Chair
 - ii. Discussion/Action: Climate Survey

7. **Executive Limitations (Policy Section II):** (30 minutes)

- g. Policy Title: 2.3 Financial Conditions and Activities
 - i. Discussion/Approval: Capital Project Funding
- h. Policy Title: 2.6 Asset Protection
 - i. Two Years of expenditures from the board's line item budget

8. **Board-Management Delegation (Policy Section III):** (15 minutes)

- a. Policy Title 3.4: Monitoring Superintendent Performance
 - i. Discussion/Action: Superintendent Evaluation

Goal #1: College & Career Readiness

- 7th and 8th graders culminated their spring Expedition, *The Helpful House: Sustainable Living for the Future*. Students designed a sustainable house and built a 3D model that needed 5 sustainable house features (such as rain barrels, solar panels, geothermal heating, triple pane windows etc.). The culminating event consisted of a display and competition of their houses where experts in the industry viewed the models and voted on such categories such as land use, energy consumption, water usage, transportation and creativity.
- WMHS presented *Little Shop of Horrors*. Directed by our new theater teacher, Victor Toman, this small production marked the comeback of our annual musical production.
- On June 6th, JFK had a CLiF event with Caldecott winning author and illustrator Jason Chin.
- The Literacy Leadership Team held its final meeting for the year. They reviewed the action plan they developed last year with the Hill for Literacy and set goals for next year.

Goal #2: Healthy, Productive & Successful Lives

- The whole middle school returned to Camp Abnaki for its year end celebration! This year the weather did not allow swimming, but students took advantage of the new climbing wall.
- JFK students have begun their bike riding unit in PE. We are fortunate to have the Local Motion trailer at school, complete with bikes and bike helmets.

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Goal #3: Local & Global Community Engagement

- HS advisories headed out on community building field trips! Destinations included: the Escape Room, Spare Time, Local Motion, North Beach & Get Air.
- HS science students studying Vermont geology and hydrology went to Plymouth State Park to pan for gold, identify rock and geology processes, test water quality, and find macroinvertebrates.
- JFK has our End of The Year Celebration on June 13th. We have partnered with the City of Winooski and CHILL Skateboarding to make the day fantastic for all our students.

Finance/Operations

At the end of May, we are predicting a favorable balance of \$104,828 or .53% of the approved budget. This surplus is largely due to debt expenses for the Capital Project being lower than was budgeted for, per the Board's five year phase-in plan for debt service. Salaries also came in lower than budgeted this year due to new hires coming in lower on the salary schedule and vacancies in support staff positions. Revenues are \$162k less than budgeted due to lower transportation reimbursement revenue since we did not provide winter transportation for the last two years, and lower indirect costs (overhead) being billed to federal grants. We also do not anticipate needing \$100k in fund balance to cover operating costs in FY 22, which was budgeted as a revenue source.

- The balance of the Capital Reserve Fund is currently \$320,858. There are no outstanding obligations for this account.
- The audited fund balance as of June 30, 2021 is \$2,951,953.
- The budget for Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) for FY22 is \$508,015. We have expended \$293,183, or 58% of the budget.