

WOBURN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FY20 Budget Review Meeting
May 6, 2019

A special meeting for the purpose of FY20 Budget Review was held on May 6, 2019 at the Joyce Conference Room, 55 Locust Street, Woburn, MA, beginning at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Chisholm-Present, Ms. Crowley-Present, Mr. Demers-Present, Mr. Kisiel-Present, Mr. Metters-Present, Dr. Wells-Present, Chairman Mulrenan-Present

Dr. Wells made a motion to open up the public hearing for the FY20 Budget Review. Motion was seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 7-0.

Chairman Mulrenan asked the audience if there is anyone who would like to come up and speak on behalf of the FY20 Budget.

Mr. Andrew Lipsett, Arlington Road, thanked the Mayor, the School Committee, and the Administration for all of their hard work in closing the budget gap for FY20. His concern now is with the longer term effects of the budget before us. Mr. Lipsett commends the school department for their creativity in the use of revolving accounts to maintain critical operations. He stated we must commit ourselves as a city to ensure that we can retrieve all of these costs and put them back into the standard school budget stream for FY21.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT & STAFF

Superintendent Crowley read a memo to the committee. He stated the budget continues to be value driven and anchored to our Woburn Public Schools Strategic Plan. The FY20 budget continues to be student centered, needs based, and data verified. The budgeting process is a collaborative effort developed utilizing input from teachers, department heads, principals, and the central office leadership team. The budget request amounts to an additional 5.5% over FY19, and will provide the increased supports necessary for our students during the 2019-20 school year.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO VOTE ON STABILIZATION FUND

Dr. Wells made a motion for the School Committee to work with the Superintendent and the Mayor to enter into negotiations to establish a stabilization fund as presented at the last meeting.

Motion was seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Wells made a motion to approve the budget of \$65,748,736. Motion was seconded, all in favor. Motion passed 7-0.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Chisholm-yes, Ms. Crowley-yes, Mr. Demers-yes, Mr. Kisiel-yes,
Mr. Metters-yes, Dr. Wells-yes, Chairman Mulrenan-yes

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion seconded all in favor. Motion passed 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean MacLeod".

Jean MacLeod
Recording Secretary