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CHESTER BOARD of EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

Subject to approval at future meeting

Date: September 23, 2020 – REMOTE MEETING held

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SPECIAL MEETING

Attendance:			Administration:		Others: -
	David Fitzgibbons	√	Brian White	\checkmark	
= present	Charlene Fearon	V	Kristina Martineau	V	
	Dale Bernardoni	V	Kelly Sterner	V	
	Rob Bibbiani	V	Sarah Smalley	V	
	Kris Pollock	V	Tyson Stoddard	V	
	Maria Scherber	V			
	Rebecca Greenberg-Ellis	V			
	Tom Englert	V			
	Kristin Smith	·			

Call To Order: approx. 7:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board VOTED (Yes 7 / No 0 / Abstain 1 - R. Bibbiani = Motion Passed) to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes from the Special Meetings of June 22nd & August 18th, 2020, and the accounts payable report.

Reports and Other Items

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent White shared some brief remarks. He reminded everyone that the reopening of school in hybrid mode included the commitment to a return in full person learning after 6 weeks. He shared that he will be communicating out tomorrow to parents and staff regarding the return to full, in person learning on October 13th and Principals will share more specific information with their parents in the following week. He stated that the majority of information this evening will come in the form of reports from the Finance Office.

Finance Office Report

Finance Director Kelly Sterner reviewed board enclosures #4 - #9 in detail. She answered questions from Board members.

Superintendent White and Ms. Sterner answered questions from Board members. In response to one question, Superintendent White presented slides with more details about the HVAC and ventilation systems at Chester Elementary School (see attached).

Possible Action Items:

There was a discussion regarding the request for additional custodial support due to COVID-19 related enhanced cleaning procedures.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously VOTED to approve the transfer of funds (in the amount of \$12,575 from fields trips to substitute custodians), for COVID-19 related expenses as presented in enclosure #10.

Based on the Finance Director's earlier review of enclosure #5 there was a discussion regarding addressing the cafeteria deficit from year end 2019-20.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously VOTED to approve the transfer of unexpended 2019-20 funds in the amount of \$31,893

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously VOTED to accept a donation of \$74.99 from United Way to be used at the discretion of administration.

Public Comment:

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously VOTED to adjourn at approx. 8:14 p.m.

District wide the following measures have been put in place;

- All facilities follow the State of CT Department of Public Health "Guidance for School Systems for the Operation of Central & Non-Central Ventilation Systems during the COVID-19 Pandemic"
- All ventilation systems were operated at full capacity for one week prior to re-opening
- HVAC systems at all facilities have been serviced and filters replaced
- Systems are set to flush the air inside the building for a minimum of 2 hours prior to occupancy and
 1 hour after occupancy
- Only facilities team can make adjustments or updates to mechanical system inside schools
- Ventilations systems run at full capacity during all hours that the building is occupied
- Bathroom exhaust systems are running all day, every day (24 hrs a day/ 7 days a week)
- Supplemental filtration systems have been added to isolation rooms. Per guidance, these are appropriately sized portable air cleaners
- Portable/pedestal air fans have been removed from all locations
- As weather and locations permit, windows are opened to enhance air exchange

All facilities are following DPH guidance independent of operating model

Chester Elementary School

- Current System
 - Building originally built in 1961. Classrooms in part of the building designed using positive pressure air exchange system
 - In 1991, additional classroom wing added. Heating systems and unit ventilators were included in each classroom.
 - 12 split A/C units installed in the upstairs and downstairs hallways
 - Offices, Library and gym equipped with HVAC
 - All bathrooms have exhaust fans running continuously
- Improvements since Installation Coiling coil was added to 1991 HVAC to provide cooling in 1991 hallway wing. Window exhaust fans have been added to the classrooms in the 1961 wing to increase the exchange of air
- Filtration Type current system uses MERV-8 filters. MERV-13 filters will burn out blower motors.
 Increased filter changes have been added.
- Programmable Building Management System multi-brand HVAC system is centrally operated through a Johnson Control system. Currently set to run in "Occupied mode" 24 hours a day. All units have been set to take in the maximum amount of outside air allowable.



Chester Board of Education FY 2020-2021

Transfer Request 9/24/2020 Temp/Substitute Custodians

FROM

Account #	Object	Description	Amount	Account #	Object	Description	Amount
127005	5515	Field Trips	\$ 12,575	126001	5124	Substitute Custodians	\$12,575
		Total	\$ 12,575			Total	\$12,575

To provide funding for hire of temp full-time (40 hrs/week) through end of December 2020. Requested based on necessary additional cleaning duties related to COVID

Encl #5

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4

CHESTER • DEEP RIVER • ESSEX



Kristina Martineau, Ed.D. Assistant Superintendent of Schools kmartineau@reg4.k12.ct.us

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Sarah Smalley Director of Pupil Services ssmalley@reg4.k12.ct.us

July 28, 2020

To: Brian White, Superintendent of Schools

From: Kelly Sterner, Finance Director,

RE: Chester Cafeteria Fund fiscal year end results

Attachment 1 is the revenue and expenditure report for the Chester cafeteria for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The net results for the year was a deficit of \$55,065. There are a number of items contributing to the deficit. These include:

- Fixed pricing for meals below breakeven level
- Level of support from Town operating fund
- Closure of schools in March halted café food sales revenue
- Expenditures related to Grab-n-Go food program available at our elementary schools

Attachment 2 shows the participation numbers for the Grab-n-Go program. The Grab-n-Go food support program has been in place since the closure of school in March and will continue through August. State grants provide funding which partially covers the cost of the food. We are seeking funding from other sources such as FEMA, however it remains unknown whether the costs will be considered eligible.

The deficit has been funded through a decrease in cash balances, increased accounts payable, but primarily by an increase in the amount that the café fund owes the Town fund (aka the Due To/Due From accounts). The drawdown of cash balances may require a request for short term funding from the Town which will allow us to keep the Grab-n-Go program going and buy inventory for the start of school in the Fall. Here is the running balance between the café fund and Town fund as of June 30th:

Balance due from Café to Town Fund

End of year balance as of 6/30/19 Fiscal year 2019-2020 deficit End of year balance as of 6/30/20 \$ 0.00 \$31,892.90

\$31,892.90

For fiscal year 2020-2021, the cafeteria staff salaries and fringes have been shifted to the Town budget and budgeted appropriately. This should alleviate the growing deficit in the fund particularly when food sales resume. This may provide the opportunity to reimburse the deficit over time. An alternative solution that the Town and Board of Education could consider would be a supplemental appropriation for fiscal year 2019-2020 to offset the balance due.

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School Shutdown Meal counts							7810	7834	15644
	Chester Breakfast	Chester Lunch	Deep River Breakfast	Deep River Lunch	Essex Breakfast	Essex Lunch	daily breakfast	daily lunch total	total meals served
Meal counts						47	total		ACE
Tuesday, March 17, 2020	19	19	31	31	17	17	67	67 76	134 152
Wednesday, March 18, 2020	25	25	28	28	23	23	76	96	192
Thursday, March 19, 2020	31	31	33	33	32	32	96		206
Friday, March 20, 2020	32	32	31	31	40	40	103	103	198
Monday, March 23, 2020	22	22	30	30	47	47	99	99	204
Tuesday, March 24, 2020	27	27	26	26	49	49	102	102	204
Wednesday, March 25, 2020	37	37	26	26	39	39	102	102	204
Thursday, March 26, 2020		39	30	30	44	44	113	113	228
Friday, March 27, 2020	37	37	27	27	55	55	119	119	188
Monday, March 30, 2020		35	26	26	33	33	94	94	222
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Wednesday, April 1, 2020		43	35	35	31	31	109	109	218
Thursday, April 2, 2020	35	35	23	23	42	42	100	100	200
Friday, April 3, 2020	42	42	25	25	45	45	112	112	224
Monday, April 6, 2020	45	45	17	17	26	26	88	88	176
Tuesday, April 7, 2020	31	31	18	18	23	23	72	72	144
Wednesday, April 8, 2020	41	41	15	15	43	43	99	99	198
Thursday, April 9, 2020	41	41	7	7	68	68	116	116	232
Friday, April 10, 2020	A Freitra			Fisht West	Established)	2132122222	0	0	0
Monday, April 13, 2020	16	16	2	2	29	29	47	47	94
Tuesday, April 14, 2020	42	42	25	25	38	38	105	105	210
Wednesday, April 15, 2020	31	31	29	29	36	36	96	96	192
Thursday, April 16, 2020	42	42	20	20	37	37	99	99	198
Friday, April 17, 2020	43	43	3	3	40	40	86	86	172
Monday, April 20, 2020	40	40	18	18	47	47	105	105	210
Tuesday, April 21, 2020	49	49	25	25	47	47	121	121	242
Wednesday, April 22, 2020	33	33	41	41	52	52	126	126	252
Thursday, April 23, 2020	42	42	30	30	61	61	133	133	266
Friday, April 24, 2020	51	51	36	36	56	56	143	143	286
Monday, April 27, 2020	37	37	33	33	55	55	125	125	250
Tuesday, April 28, 2020	36	36	33	33	55	55	124	124	248
Wednesday, April 29, 2020	40	40	39	39	52	52	131	131	262
Thursday, April 30, 2020	23	23	26	26	56	56	105	105	210
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Friday, May 1, 2020	42	42	25	25	61	61	128	128	256
Monday, May 4, 2020		38	31	31	52	52	121	121	242
Tuesday, May 5, 2020		40	30	30	56	56	126	126	252
Wednesday, May 6, 2020	29	29	38	38	60	60	127	127	254
Thursday, May 7, 2020		44	35	35	60	60	139	139	278
Friday, May 8, 2020		48	39	39	68	68	155	155	310
Monday, May 11, 2020		32	34	34	52	52	118	118	236
Tuesday, May 12, 2020		49	26	26	52	52	131	127	258
Wednesday, May 13, 2020	+	43	29	29	46	46	118	118	236
Thursday, May 14, 2020		43	29	29	59	59	131	131	262
Friday, May 15, 202		39	28	28	56	56	123	123	246
Monday, May 18, 2020		41	41	41	52	52	134	134	268
Tuesday, May 19, 202		55	29	29	45	45	129	129	258
Wednesday, May 20, 202	_	47	25	25	57	57	129	129	258
Thursday, May 21, 202		48	27	27	50	50	125	125	250
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Tuesday, May 26, 202		34	17	17	38	38	76	89	165
Wednesday, May 27, 202		31	21	21	54	54	99	106	205
Thursday, May 28, 202		39	27	27	58	58	112	124	230
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Tuesday, June 2, 2020	44	44	23	23	52	52	119	119	238
Wednesday, June 3, 2020	17	17	19	19	44	44	80	80	160
Thursday, June 4, 2020	30	30	24	24	45	45	99	99	198
Friday, June 5, 2020	42	42	19	19	55	55	116	116	232
Monday, June 8, 2020	32	29	18	18	60	60	110	107	217
Tuesday, June 9, 2020	38	31	17	17	56	56	111	104	215
Wednesday, June 10, 2020	26	29	18	18	56	56	100	103	203
Thursday, June 11, 2020	37	40	7	7	45	45	89	92	181
Friday, June 12, 2020	32	36	19	19	60	60	111	115	226
Monday, June 15, 2020	29	29	13	13	48	48	90	90	180
Tuesday, June 16, 2020	28	28	11	1	51	51	90	80	170
Wednesday, June 17, 2020	27	27	14	14	36	36	77	77	154
Thursday, June 18, 2020	32	32	10	10	32	32	74	74	148
Friday, June 19, 2020	22	22	15	15	39	39	76	76	152
Monday, June 22, 2020	29	29	12	12	37	37	78	78	156
Tuesday, June 23, 2020	33	33	14	14	37	37	84	84	168
Wednesday, June 24, 2020		24	5	5	41	41	70	70	140
Thursday, June 25, 2020	28	28	15	15	41	41	84	84	168
Friday, June 26, 2020		16	16	16	45	45	77	77	154
Monday, June 29, 2020		17	8	8	34	34	59	59	118
Tuesday, June 30, 2020		20	11	11	37	37	68	68	136
JUNE TOTAL	641	641	328	318	1013	1013	1982	1972	3954

Chester Board of Education FY 2019-2020

Transfer Request 9/23/2020 Cafeteria fye deficit

FROM

Account #	Object	Description	Amount	Account # Object	Description	Amount
126001	5115	Custodial Salaries	\$ 16,431	16161001 5118	Food Service/Cafeteria Salaries	\$31,893
111151	5123	Substitute Teachers	\$ 12,147			
111231	5113	Teachers Salaries	\$ 3,315			
		Total	\$ 31,893		Total	\$31,893

Funding necessary to eliminate the Due From deficit between Essex operating budget and the Essex school lunch fund for fy 2019-2020