



**TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN**  
**Finance Committee**  
Lawrence Memorial Hall  
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Belchertown, Massachusetts 01007



Edward Boscher, Chairman  
Melissa Hurst, Vice Chairman  
Laurie Shea, Clerk  
Steven Rose  
Lynne Raymer

**Meeting Minutes**

Date: Thursday, March 30, 2017  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Location: Lawrence Memorial Hall  
Present: Edward Boscher, Melissa Hurst, Laurie Shea, Steven Rose, Lynne Raymer  
Selectmen: George Archible, Brenda Aldrich, Nicholas O'Connor, Ronald Aponte, William Barnett  
School District Representatives: Karol Coffin, Dr. Thomas Laughner, Jeff Charron  
Guests: Gary Brougham, Jill Panto

- Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

**Transfers**

None.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Boscher reviewed the allocation of anticipated FY18 revenues from the joint meeting on March 21, 2017.

Mr. Boscher asked the School Department to present the revised budget reflecting its anticipated allocation of \$28,162,000.

Ms. Coffin handed out a Final Numbers Steps One and Two presentation packet. Ms. Coffin went over the information in the packet with the group. She expressed there would be a deficit of over \$500,000 with an allocation of \$28,162,000 and that teaching positions would need to be eliminated. The group discussed the information presented.

Mr. Brougham presented the Towns revised budget, using the revised revenue number of \$12,373,000, a \$212,000 decrease from the previous budget presented. Mr. Brougham stated there would be no staffing cuts due to the reduction, and the Town would realize savings or would be make adjustments elsewhere to account for the decrease in funding. The group discussed the information presented.

**New Business:**

The group agreed to meet on Thursday, April 6, 2017 so Ed Dunn, the business manager for the School Department, could participate in the discussion and to allow more time for the School Department to revisit its budget to see if they could further close the \$500,000 plus gap.

**Other Business:**

None noted.

**Next Meeting:**

- Thursday, April 6, 2017, at 7:00 PM; Lawrence Memorial Hall Auditorium


**Adjournment:**

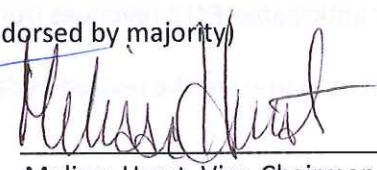
- Mr. Boscher called to adjourn
- Mr. Rose motioned, Ms. Shea seconded
- Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

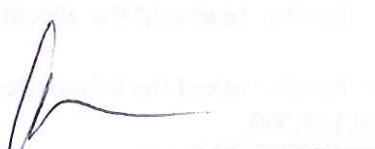
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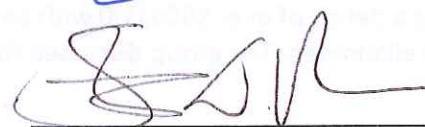
  
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