

**MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 52**  
**Greene, Leeds, and Turner, Maine**

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**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGET MEETING FOR 2018-19**

May 9, 2019 6:00 P.M. Leavitt Area High School

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent of Schools Kimberly Brandt at 6:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Brandt. Superintendent Brandt began reading the preamble.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Bullard and seconded by Jason Breton to waive the reading of the preamble and move to Article One. Hearing no objections from the floor, Superintendent Brandt moved to Article One.

**Article 1:** *To elect, by ballot, a Moderator to preside at said meeting.*

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Pam Bell to nominate Charles Dingman as Moderator. A motion was made by Carlos Gnipp, seconded by Elizabeth Bullard to cease nominations. Hearing no objections, Superintendent Brandt closed the nominations. Written ballots were cast and the motion to nominate Charles Dingman as Moderator was approved. Charles Dingman was elected Moderator and sworn in. Anne Swiatocha, Jennifer Wallace and Angeliec Goulding were sworn in as Clerks.

Charles Dingman reviewed the ground rules for the evening. Hearing no objection, the Moderator declared non-residents to be allowed to speak.

**Article 2:** *To see if the voters of Maine School Administrative District 52 will authorize the Board of School Directors to accept nonresident elementary and / or secondary students on a tuition basis.*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 3:** *The proposed budget for Regular Instruction is \$10,585,359. This is an increase of \$346,475 or 3.38% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$10,585,359.)*

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 4:** *The proposed budget for Special Education is \$5,628,012. This is an increase of \$127,965 or 2.33% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Special Education. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$5,628,012.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 5:** *The proposed budget for Career and Technical Education is \$0. This is an increase of \$0 or 0% over the current year. NOTE: MSAD 52 sends its career and technical education students to Lewiston Regional Technical Center.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$0.00.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Pam Bell to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 6:** *The proposed budget for Other Instruction is \$562,560. This is an increase of \$41,889 or 8.05% increase over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$562,560.)*

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 7:** *The proposed budget for Student and Staff Support is \$2,321,827. This is an increase of \$28,204 or 1.23% increase over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$2,321,827.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 8:** *The proposed budget for Systems Administration \$571,137. This is an increase of \$13,714 or 2.46% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Systems Administration. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$571,137.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 9:** *The proposed budget for School Administration \$1,565,657. This is a decrease of \$38,918 or 2.43% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for School Administration. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$1,565,657.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 10:** *The proposed budget for Transportation and Buses is \$2,093,365. This is an increase of \$71,079 or 3.51% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$2,093,365)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Pam Bell to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 11:** *The proposed budget for Facilities and Maintenance is \$3,442,306. This is an increase of \$171,368 or 5.24% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$3,442,306.)*

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 12:** *The proposed budget for Debt Service \$329,139. This is a decrease of \$890,518 or 73.01% over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$329,139.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 13:** *The proposed budget for All Other Expenditures is \$133,880. This is a \$0 or 0% increase over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$133,880.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 14 Essential Programs and Services Allocation:**

*To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the District will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine*

*Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688 (The Board of School Directors recommends the amounts set forth below):*

**Total appropriated (by municipality) Total raised (district assessments by municipality)**

<b>Greene \$7,490,657.74</b>	<b>Greene \$2,710,596.00</b>
<b>Leeds \$4,257,942.01</b>	<b>Leeds \$1,431,888.00</b>
<b>Turner \$10,685,235.94</b>	<b>Turner \$3,948,318.00</b>
<b>School District Total Appropriated</b>	<b>School District Total Raised</b>
<b>Sum of Above \$22,433,835.69</b>	<b>Sum of Above \$8,090,802.00</b>

**Explanation: The school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the District must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.**

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 15 Local Debt Obligation:**

*To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the District voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$329,139.)*

**Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the District long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters or other legislative body.**

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 16:** *The proposed budget for Food Service Program is \$70,000. This is a \$0 or 0% increase over the current year.*

*To see what sum the District will be authorized to raise and transfer funds for the Food Service Program. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$70,000.)*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 17 Local Additional Funds:**

*To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (recommend \$3,936,788) which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$3,936,788) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Board of School Directors.*

The Board of School Directors recommends \$3,936,788 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$3,936,788:

\$3,936,788 is needed to cover the District's costs not fully funded in the Essential Programs and Services funding model. These items include but are not limited to: advanced placement courses, co and extracurricular costs, technology coordinator, maintenance and operation costs of our own sewer treatment plant, and inadequate special education funding including the high cost of out-of-district placements.

**Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the MSAD 52 budget for educational programs.**

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries (25 Yes) (2 No).

**Article 18:** *To see what sum the District will authorize the Board of School Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. (The Board of School Directors recommends \$27,233,242)*

**Explanation: This Article does not provide money unless the other articles are approved.**

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 19:** *Shall the Board of School Directors be authorized to appropriate and expend for school purposes, in addition to the amount approved in the above articles as the total District budget, any unanticipated gifts, bequests, devises, grants, or revenues from other sources for the Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020?*

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 20:** *To see what sum the District will appropriate for Adult and Community Education programs (The Board of School Directors Recommends \$375,083) and to see what sum the District will raise as the local share (The Board of School Directors Recommends \$164,210); with the authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.*

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 21:** *Shall the Board of School Directors be authorized to transfer \$400,000 from unexpended balances to the Capital Reserve Fund and to expend up to \$600,000 from that reserve fund for the capital items set forth below and for other unexpected or emergency school facility capital needs?*

*(The Board of School Directors recommends \$400,000 in local funds be transferred.)*

**Explanation: The District has project needs that it proposes to fund incrementally to reduce or avoid borrowing. Note: This will not increase/decrease the obligation to taxpayers. This is a transfer of existing fund balance.**

A motion was made by Eben Shaw, seconded by Jason Breton to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries.

**Article 22 Disposition of Any Additional State Subsidy Received:** *In the event that the District receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget, shall the Board of School Directors be authorized to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the School Board, increase the allocation of finances in a reserve fund approved by the School Board, and/or decrease the local cost share expectation, as defined in Title 20-A, section 15671-A(1)(B), for local property taxpayers for funding public education as approved by the School Board?*

*The Board of School Directors Recommends a "Yes" Vote.*

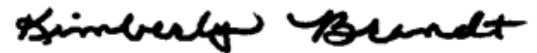
**Explanation: If this Article is approved and the District receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget due to an anticipated increase in state share**

**of the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12, 100% of that increase shall be used for the purpose of providing property tax relief, which shall be allocated among the member towns in accordance with adjustments to their shares of the local contribution under Article 14 above.**

A motion was made by Jason Breton, seconded by Eben Shaw to approve the Board of School Directors' recommendation. Motion carries

The meeting was adjourned by Moderator Charles Dingman at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Kimberly Brandt in black ink.

Kimberly Brandt, Secretary