

Minutes for the budget Committee Meeting  
January 21, 2020

**Board Members present:**

Kevin Bazan-School Board rep sub, Chester LaPoint - Chairman, Ben Kilanski- Selectman rep, Tiffany Melanson, Theresa Sepe- Co-Chairman

**Meeting Called to order at 6:01 PM**

**First Order of Business:** Approve minutes from Jan 10th budget meeting and Jan 14th budget hearing- MTA Ben- second- Tiffany- 4/0 /1 abstain Motion passes with note to change date from Jan 14 to Jan 10th at heading.

**Second order of business:**

The board met with ACCESS to discuss the petition warrant article.

Theresa asks how many total employees are currently employed  
9 positions with 15-16 employees between AM and PM  
2 full time 1) \$30,000 and the other \$ 50,000  
\$12 hourly start/ \$15 highest- 180 days a year @ 5.5 hours daily

Chester asked about fund raising  
- Beth stated that nothing is definite at this point. SHE expects they will have a prize colander, possible Yankee candle and sell popcorn.

Beth mentioned that she is currently waiting to see if ACCESS will be able to continue to collect tuition from families.

The 21-C program does not allow an organization to mandate fund raising when families pay a tuition. ACCESS collects about \$35,000 for tuition ( families pay based on income) for a 12 month period.

Kevin brought to attention the possibility of school times changing and ACCESS will most likely have several more students in the evening secession.

Beth stated that if ACCESS is able to continue collecting program fees, she will amend the current asking about to \$30,000

Kevin- Motion to recommend -Ben second- 5/0 motion passes

Ben stated that many of the residents were opposed to the petition article in the past because of not receiving financial information.

Beth suggested having something written to be given when completing the petition article stating that financial info will be requested.

Ben- Motion to adjourn- second Theresa- 5/0 motion passes

FEB 1st 9:00 am TOWN DELIBERATIVE ( SATURDAY) - budget committee meeting at 8:30 AM

FEB 6th 6:30 PM SCHOOL DELIBERATIVE (THURSDAY) -budget committee meeting at 6:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Rhodes January 27, 2020

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JRH", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.