

Lisbon School Committee Minutes
June 15, 2020

Minutes of the Lisbon School Committee held remotely via Zoom on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. (Note: These minutes are not official until approved by the School Committee. Such action, to either approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the September 14, 2020 meeting.)

Members Present: Traci Austin, Ross Cunningham, Kim Labbe-Poisson, Kelli Rogers, Kathi Yergin and Richard A. Green, Superintendent of Schools

Members Excused:

Administrators Present: James Churchill, Kathleen Glennon, Allison Leavitt, Haley McCrater, Ryan McKenney, Barbara Morris and Debra Rodrigue

Administrators Excused: Julie Colello-Nichols, Eric Hall, Robert Kahler, Susan Magee and Allen Ouellette

Called to Order:

Chair Austin called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and shared the rules to remote public comments while conducting Zoom Meetings. Participants wishing to make public comments are asked to email them the Lisbon School Committee Chair at taustin@lisbonschoolsme.org prior to the Public Comment section of the agenda.

4. Report from Superintendent:

- A. Budget Update – Superintendent Green reviewed the administrative recommendations and a review of the 20-21 Subsidy Comparison Report was completed.

Superintendent Green and the committee then discussed the reopening of school in the fall. Superintendent Green shared that during the Commissioners Update it was shared that the decision on when and how to reopen schools would come from the Commissioner’s Office and would be based on several different factors including CDC recommendations and the decision would also be based by region.

VOTED (1) A Motion was made by Traci Austin to move forward the budget that was presented on June 15, 2020. (Austin-Rogers)(0-5) – *Motion failed as it was already on the agenda under new business.*

5. New Business:

- A. **VOTED (2)** That pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. §§ 1486(2) and 2307, the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Town Council Meeting be approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized and directed to complete said notice in accordance with the meeting at which the school budget is approved, and to cause said notice, as completed, to be delivered to the Town Clerk for display at all polling places for the school budget validation referendum to be held following the meeting at which the Town Council approves the school budget. (Rogers-Labbe-Poisson) (5-0)

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- B. **VOTED (3)** Shall the Town of Lisbon raise and appropriate \$2,504,370 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$63,931 as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.


The school committee recommends \$2,504,370 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$63,931. (Rogers-Labbe-Poisson)(5-0)

- 1) Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities: The state only supports 20% of Lisbon's total expenditures.
- 2) The Teacher Retirement portion that was previously paid by the state.
- 3) Substitute Pay: The State Allocates half a day per student. This does not cover long term absences where substitutes are paid at a higher rate.
- 4) Special Education: This additional amount is partly due to year old student information, summer school, scheduling and reduced financial support at the Federal and State levels.
- 5) Nutrition (Lunch): The state does not provide any subsidy to cover the expenses in the general budget.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit'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 Lisbon School Department's budget for educational programs.

6. Adjournment:

VOTED (4) to adjourn. (Labbe-Poisson-Cunningham) (5-0) (6:48 PM)



Richard A. Green Ed.D.
Secretary, Lisbon School Committee