

**Windsor Board of Education
Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 7:00 PM

BOE Regular Meeting - Hybrid via Zoom and In-Person Please click the link below to join the webinar:
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601 Matianuck Avenue
Windsor, CT 06095

1. Call to Order, Pledge to the Flag, Moment of Silence
Speaker(s): D. Furie
2. Recognitions/Acknowledgments
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 2.a. Recognition—WHS Indoor Track & Field Class L Championship – Boys and Girls
Speaker(s): D. Furie/T. Hill
3. Audience to Visitors
Speaker(s): D. Furie
4. Consent Agenda
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 4.a. Financial Report
Speaker(s): D. Batchelder
 - 4.b. Enrollment Report
Speaker(s): D. Batchelder
 - 4.c. Food Service Report
Speaker(s): D. Batchelder
 - 4.d. Human Resources Report
Speaker(s): D. Batchelder
5. Approval of Minutes
Speaker(s): L. Lockhart
 - 5.a. February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting
Speaker(s): L. Lockhart
6. Student Representative Report
Speaker(s): S. DiFelici
7. Board of Education
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 7.a. President's Report
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 7.b. School Liaison Reports
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 7.b.1. Windsor High School
Speaker(s): A. Taylor/N. Wolliston
 - 7.b.2. Sage Park Middle School
Speaker(s): A. King/P. Panos
 - 7.b.3. Clover Street School
Speaker(s): J. Madison
 - 7.b.4. John F. Kennedy School
Speaker(s): J. Canter
 - 7.b.5. Oliver Ellsworth School
Speaker(s): L. Lockhart
 - 7.b.6. Poquonock School
Speaker(s): J. Halek
8. Superintendent's Report
Speaker(s): T. Hill
 - 8.a. Residency Report
Speaker(s): D. Batchelder/K. Kearse
9. Committee Reports
Speaker(s): D. Furie
10. Other Matters/Announcements/Regular BOE Meetings
Speaker(s): D. Furie
 - 10.a. Next BOE Regular Meeting , Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 7:00 PM, LPW, Board Room

Speaker(s): D. Furie

11. Audience to Visitors

Speaker(s): D. Furie

12. Legal Opinion Related to Transportation Contract Options (Executive Session and Possible Action)

Speaker(s): D. Batchelder

13. Adjournment

Speaker(s): D. Furie

2024 WHS State Champions – Indoor Track Teams

Coaches: Kelvan Kearse, Celeste Over, Nichole Donzella, Lorenzo Milledge, Michael Dunn

Girls Class L State Championship Team

Riley Adams
Malia Alabre
Jamilah Anibawuni
Kaycie Brown
Hannah Donzella
Maya Donzella
Kayla Elder
Mikayla Evans
Shanae Green
Grayson Harris
Layla Harris
Taysha Hite
Adia Hill
Kara Khan
Casey Krapalis
Olivia Lawrence
Kareema McKenzie
Jaida Murray
Aubri Lynn Norris
Saniah Penns
Destiny Ross-Bates
Evelyn Schwartz
Amari Williams
Jordyn Williams
Paige Wilson
Zauriyah Williams

Boys 2024 State Open Championship Team

Taeshawn Berry
Daunte Biggs
Maxim Copeland
Jordan Crain
Dylan Cramer
Jaquan Falling
Caneil Goldson
Hunter Howard
Joshua Looby
William Morin
Lucas Pierce
Chase Royal
Jason Rycerz
Damion Sparrow

WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM

For Consideration by the Board of Education at the Meeting of: March 19, 2024

PREPARED BY: Danielle Batchelder

PRESENTED BY: Danielle Batchelder,
Director of Business Services & Human
Resources

ATTACHMENTS: February 29, 2024 Financial Report

SUBJECT: Financial Report

BACKGROUND:

A report of operating expenditures is prepared monthly for the Board of Education. The report details monthly and year-to-date expenditures for each site within Windsor Public Schools.

STATUS:

The attached report is for the month of February 2024

There were no inter-site transfers during the month.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is necessary. The report is for information only.

The Secretary of the Board of Education should include the following in the minutes of this Board of Education meeting:

Expenditures for February 29, 2024	\$ 5,926,565
Expenditures & Encumbrances through February 29, 2024	\$49,782,824

Reviewed by: 

Recommended by the Superintendent: 

Agenda Item # 4.a.

Windsor Public Schools
Financial Report
February 29, 2024

	2023-2024 Budget	Expenditures YTD 2/29/24	Encumbrance	Balance 6/30/2024	% Balance
Instructional Services					
Clover Street School	63,170	26,402	1,177	35,591	56%
John F. Kennedy School	84,950	43,842	3,661	37,447	44%
Oliver Ellsworth School	86,730	39,964	7,295	39,471	46%
Poquonock School	69,300	40,526	1,423	27,351	39%
Sage Park Middle School	210,935	87,278	19,185	104,472	50%
Windsor High School	380,644	144,824	41,200	194,620	51%
Windsor High School Interscholastic Sports	207,000	200,958	5,820	222	0%
Athletic Coaches	299,000	124,988	0	174,012	58%
WHS Career & Technical Education	59,745	32,585	21,690	5,470	9%
Continuing Education	70,400	65,820	3,255	1,325	2%
Instructional Mgt. & Curriculum Development	181,985	53,690	5,632	122,663	67%
Magnet School Tuition	1,660,600	1,726,319	0	(65,719)	-4%
Technology	1,773,660	1,325,870	126,843	320,947	18%
Total Instructional Services	5,148,119	3,913,066	237,181	997,872	19%

Education Support Services					
Pupil Personnel Services	410,350	259,437	18,300	132,613	32%
Special Education	97,200	40,906	8,464	47,830	49%
Special Education Tuition	6,779,140	3,646,205	8,464	3,124,471	46%
Policy & Planning	136,386	92,755	5,994	37,637	28%
Employee Personnel Services	148,400	146,312	1,502	586	0%
Financial Management	268,340	136,635	57,600	74,105	28%
Financial Services	38,500	26,639	2,142	9,719	25%
Pupil Transportation & Safety	3,289,198	1,225,025	252	2,063,921	63%
Special Education Transportation	2,519,650	1,627,166	5,696	886,788	35%
Physical Plant Services	2,486,800	1,591,370	716,103	179,327	7%
Major Maintenance	486,000	232,893	1,688	251,419	52%
L.P. Wilson Center	254,800	103,182	86,934	64,684	25%
Benefits	11,919,971	5,995,284	157,826	5,766,861	48%
Certified Salaries	34,319,520	21,598,883	0	12,720,637	37%
Non-Certified Salaries	10,449,816	6,860,864	0	3,588,952	34%
Regular Ed Tutor Salaries	362,737	157,276	0	205,461	57%
Special Ed Tutor Salaries	298,370	352,443	0	(54,073)	-18%
Substitute Salaries	770,714	435,688	32,649	302,377	39%
***Treehouse Subsidy	0			0	
Total Education Support Services	75,035,892	44,528,963	1,103,614	29,403,315	39%

Total All Sites	\$80,184,011	\$48,442,029	\$1,340,795	\$30,401,187	38%
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WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM

For Consideration by the Board of Education at the Meeting of: March 19, 2024

PREPARED BY: Danielle Batchelder
Director of Business Services
& Human Resources

PRESENTED BY: Danielle Batchelder

ATTACHMENTS: Student Enrollment Report & Recap

SUBJECT: Student Enrollment as of March 1, 2024

BACKGROUND:

Attached are the enrollment figures as of March 1, 2024. Mrs. Batchelder will answer any questions.

STATUS:

In prior BOE enrollment reports, the enrollment report grouped all students into one category labeled "Outside Placement/Private Placement (SPED)". Beginning in September 2016, the Out Placement/Private Placement (SPED) line was separated into two categories:

1. *Out of District Placement-Special Education students*
2. *Private Placement Special Education students*

Out of District - Special Education: Those students who are placed at a Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) approved private special education program as recommended by a planning and placement team (PPT) as part of a student's individualized education program (IEP). Additionally, this category may include a family who moves into Windsor with a child who has a disability who has already been placed in a private special education program and/or children who are placed in Windsor foster home(s) by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and are already enrolled in a private special education program.

Private Placement - Special Education: Those students who have been identified special education through the planning and placement team (PPT) process that have been parentally placed at a non-public school located in Windsor (i.e., St. Gabriel, Trinity Christian, Madina Academy, Praise Power & Prayer, etc.).

RECOMMENDATION:

Informational

Reviewed by: 

Recommended by the Superintendent: 

**Windsor Public Schools
Student Enrollment Report
March 1, 2024**

Enrollment in Windsor Public Schools

Grades PreK - 5	1,489
Grades 6-8	716
Grades 9-12	1,145
Total District Enrollment	3,350

Windsor Students not in District Schools

Out of District Placements (SPED)	34
Private Schools (St.Gabriels, Trinity Christian, Medina Academy; Praise, Power&Prayer)	57
CREC Montessori Hartford	3
CREC Metropolitan Learning Center (MLC)	56
CREC Miscellaneous Magnet Schools	227
Hartford Host Magnet Schools	194
Miscellaneous Magnet Schools (LEARN, Goodwin College & Global Experience)	28
A.I. Prince Technical High School	18
Howard Cheney Technical High School	15
	632
Total Students	3,982

**Windsor Public Schools
Student Enrollment Report
March 1, 2024**

GRADE	Poquonock School	Clover Street School	Oliver Ellsworth School	John F. Kennedy School	Total
PreK	102		41		143
K	84		127		211
1	103		113		216
2	108		139		247
3		81		137	218
4		89		135	224
5		107		123	230
Subtotal K-5					1,346
Total	397	277	420	395	1,489

GRADE	Sage Park Middle School
6	232
7	237
8	247
Total	716

GRADE	Windsor High School
9	282
10	294
11	266
12	303
Total	1,145

District Wide Enrollment	3,350
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**ENROLLMENT REPORT 2023-2024
POQUONOCK SCHOOL**

Room #	Teacher	Grade	Projected	1-Sept	1-Oct	1-Nov	1-Dec	1-Jan	1-Feb	1-Mar	1-Apr	1-May	1-Jun
		Kindergarten											
	23 B. Brown			13	15	14	14	14	14	14			
	2 R. Brown			14	14	14	14	14	14	14			
	24 Eskenazi			14	14	14	14	14	14	14			
	22 Roche			13	13	14	13	13	14	14			
	3 Scott			14	14	14	14	14	14	14			
	26 Scerra			14	14	13	13	13	14	14			
	Total		81	82	84	82	82	82	84	84	0	0	0
		Grade 1											
	1 Kowalski			20	20	20	20	20	21	21			
	12 Alzamora			19	19	19	20	20	20	21			
	15 McCann			19	19	19	20	20	20	20			
	16 Harrison			19	19	19	20	20	20	20			
	18 Velez			20	20	20	20	20	21	21			
	Total		102	97	97	100	100	100	102	103	0	0	0
		Grade 2											
	14 Achim			22	22	22	23	23	21	21			
	11 Delskey			22	21	21	21	21	21	21			
	8 Parker			23	23	23	22	22	22	22			
	4 Stoll			23	23	23	22	22	22	22			
	9 Tweeddale			22	22	22	22	22	22	22			
	Total		100	112	111	110	110	110	108	108	0	0	0
		PK Smart Start											
		Sped & Peer											
		Total	70	64	38	102	103	103	103	102	0	0	0
		Poquonock Totals	353	0	393	394	395	395	397	397	0	0	0

ENROLLMENT REPORT 2023-2024
 OLIVER ELLSWORTH SCHOOL

Room #	Teacher	Grade	Projected	1-Sept	1-Oct	1-Nov	1-Dec	1-Jan	1-Feb	1-Mar	1-Apr	1-May	1-Jun
Kindergarten													
19	Allen				13	13	14	14	14	14			
20	Klescezeski				16	16	16	16	16	16			
21	Moreno				15	15	15	15	15	15			
22	Bishop				15	16	16	17	17	17			
23	Heacock				16	17	17	17	17	17			
24	Stevens				16	16	16	16	16	16			
25	Chapple				16	16	16	16	16	16			
26	Nash				16	16	16	16	16	16			
	Total		130		123	125	126	127	127	127	0	0	0
Grade 1													
10	Strickland				17	17	18	18	18	18			
12	Butterick				16	16	16	16	16	16			
13	Fleury Barton				17	17	17	17	17	17			
14	Och				16	15	15	14	14	14			
15	Adamski				17	17	17	16	16	16			
16	Miller				17	17	17	17	17	17			
17	Cook				16	16	16	16	16	15			
	Total		135		116	115	116	114	114	113	0	0	0
Grade 2													
1	Mayo				21	21	21	21	20	20			
2	Billington				19	19	18	19	19	18			
3	McDonald				22	21	21	21	21	21			
6	Verdone				20	20	21	21	21	21			
7	Gonzalez				19	19	18	18	19	19			
8	Ozenne				18	18	19	20	20	20			
11	Montesione				15	16	18	19	19	20			
	Total		123		134	134	136	139	139	139	0	0	0
PK Smart Start													
	Sped & Peers				36	37	38	38	40	41			
	Total		63		36	37	38	38	40	41	0	0	0
Oliver Ellsworth			451	0	409	411	416	418	420	420	0	0	0

ENROLLMENT REPORT 2023-2024
Clover Street School

Room #	Teacher	Grade	Projected	1-Sept	1-Oct	1-Nov	1-Dec	1-Jan	1-Feb	1-Mar	1-Apr	1-May	1-Jun
Grade 3													
25	Darrell			18	18	18	18	18	20	20			
8	Voronchak			21	21	21	21	21	21	21			
27	Rivers			18	18	18	19	19	20	20			
8	Driscoll			20	20	20	20	21	20	20			
	Total		82	77	78	79	81	81	81	81	0	0	0
Grade 4													
24	Comer			16	17	17	17	17	18	17			
18	Sumner			18	18	18	18	18	18	18			
16	Murray			17	17	17	17	17	17	17			
11	Sanchez			18	18	18	18	18	18	19			
26	Junious			18	18	18	18	18	18	18			
	Total		105	87	88	88	88	88	89	89	0	0	0
Grade 5													
15	Grimes			18	18	18	16	16	17	17			
13	Steele			19	19	19	20	19	20	20			
17	Nowusch			17	16	16	16	16	15	15			
18	Michalic			18	18	18	18	18	18	18			
19	Williams			18	18	18	19	19	19	19			
12	Burnham			18	18	18	18	18	18	18			
	Total		90	108	107	107	107	106	107	107	0	0	0
	Clover		277	272	273	272	273	273	277	277	0	0	0

ENROLLMENT REPORT 2023-2024
Sage Park Middle School

	Projected	1-Sept	1-Oct	1-Nov	1-Dec	1-Jan	1-Feb	1-Mar	1-Apr	1-May	1-Jun
Grade 6											
House 1		114	115	115	115	116	117	118			
House 2		110	111	110	111	112	114	114			
Total	210	224	225	225	226	228	231	232	0	0	0
Grade 7											
House 3		132	121	121	121	119	119	120			
House 4		102	118	117	118	117	117	117			
Total	228	234	238	238	239	236	236	237	0	0	0
Grade 8											
House 5 ¹		121	122	122	122	123	124	124			
House 6		120	120	120	121	121	122	123			
Total	261	241	242	242	243	244	246	247	0	0	0
Sage Park Totals	699	0	699	705	708	708	713	716	0	0	0

ENROLLMENT REPORT 2023-2024
Windsor High School

	Projected	1-Sept	1-Oct	1-Nov	1-Dec	1-Jan	1-Feb	1-Mar	1-Apr	1-May	1-Jun
Grade 9	302		299	300	300	300	282	282			
Grade 10	283		291	291	289	292	293	294			
Grade 11	292		270	269	269	270	264	266			
Grade 12	270		286	283	285	283	306	303			
Windsor High Total	1,147	1,138	1,146	1,143	1,143	1,145	1,145	1,145	0	0	0

**WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA ITEM**

For Consideration by the Board of Education at the Meeting of: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Prepared By: Patricia Patton

Presented By: Danielle Batchelder

Attachments: Cafeteria Operations – February 2024

Subject: Food Service Financial Report

Background: The Windsor School Food Service participates in the National School Lunch Program at each of our school facilities. We also participate in the National School Breakfast Program at our four elementary schools, Sage Park Middle School and Windsor High School. We operated our Summer Food Service Program at John Fitch Park and Sharshon Park during summer break serving lunch. We are complying with the Healthy Food Certification again this year to send a consistent message to our students in keeping with our wellness policies.

Our annual goal is to operate with a small reserve account to offset unanticipated needs and to increase participation from students and staff in all our programs.

A monthly financial report is presented to the Board of Education. This report includes sales and financial information for the current period.

Status: Financial Report for February

Recommendation: Informational Only

Reviewed by: W/P

Recommended by the Superintendent: TH/SB

Agenda Item # 4.c.

Windsor School Food Service Financial Statement
February 2024

REVENUE	February 2024	7/1/23 - YTD	February 2023	7/1/22 - YTD
SALES	\$32,669.57	\$282,429.39	\$65,955.57	\$236,948.74
REIMBURSEMENTS - STATE		9,291.15		
Federal Reimbursement	111,865.95	755,998.26	107,750.92	994,076.98
CLOC		105,865.00		217,716.00
MISC. (Rebates & Grants)		132,008.97	27,318.67	280,762.69
8 CENTS Certification	2,814.72	18,834.80	2,523.44	19,523.44
REVENUE TOTALS	\$147,350.24	\$1,304,427.57	\$203,548.60	\$1,749,027.85
REFUND	\$100.00	\$2,919.60		
REVENUE TOTALS minus refund	\$147,250.24	\$1,301,507.97		
EXPENSES				
WAGES	\$69,036.69	\$450,541.69	\$61,308.20	\$439,046.89
PAYROLL TAXES	5,281.31	34,705.32	4,916.82	34,051.80
BENEFITS	7,535.61	52,453.96	9,240.53	81,723.08
FOOD/MILK	108,243.84	798,190.04	84,364.71	672,022.76
PAPER	6,920.59	32,189.05	7,186.18	38,891.01
TRUCK	0.00	2,278.93	1.00	3,241.26
SUPPLIES	0.00	4,668.51	0.00	1,951.97
EQUIPMENT	11,431.98	198,822.37	192,576.89	284,869.48
SERVICES	20.00	1,591.10	50.00	1,117.80
EXPENSE TOTALS	\$208,470.02	\$1,575,440.97	\$359,644.33	\$1,556,916.05
NET INCOME	(\$61,219.78)	(\$273,933.00)	(\$156,095.73)	\$192,111.80
INVENTORY	\$19,542.02			\$29,847.32
OPENING BALANCE 7/1	\$1,995,808.62			\$209,503.15
COMPUTED OPERATING POSITION		\$1,741,417.64		\$431,462.27

Windsor Board of Education
Regular Meeting – Hybrid via Zoom and In-Person
Unapproved Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 7:00 PM
601 Matianuck Avenue
Windsor, CT 06095

The following are the unapproved minutes of the Wednesday, February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting. Any additions or corrections will be made at a future meeting.

Ms. Jill Canter: Present
Mr. David Furie: Present
Mr. Jeremy Halek: Present
Mr. Anthony King: Present
Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Present
Mr. James Madison: Present
Mr. Paul Panos: Present
Ms. Ayana Taylor: Present
Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Present

1. Call to Order, Pledge to the Flag, Moment of Silence

Mr. Furie called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM with the Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. Also in attendance were Superintendent of Schools Dr. Terrell Hill, Director of Business Services and Human Resources Danielle Batchelder, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Noha Abdel-Hady, Director of Pupil and Special Education Services Mary Cristofaro.

2. Recognitions/Acknowledgements

a. Recognition - New BOE Student Representative - Sophia DiFelici

Mr. Parker introduced Ms. DiFelici as the new BOE Student Representative. She will participate in regular meetings as the spring semester representative.

3. Audience to Visitors

There were no speakers.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Financial Report

Expenditures for January 31, 2024 \$7,721,322

Expenditures through January 31, 2024 \$43,856.259

b. Enrollment Report

c. Food Service Report

d. Human Resources Report

Move the Board of Education approve consent agenda items 4.a. Financial Report, 4.b. Enrollment Report, 4.c. Food Service Report, 4.d. Human Resources Report. This motion, made by Ms. Ayana Taylor and seconded by Mr. Paul Panos, Passed.

Ms. Jill Canter: Yes, Mr. David Furie: Yes, Mr. Jeremy Halek: Yes, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. James Madison: Yes, Mr. Paul Panos: Yes, Ms. Ayana Taylor: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

5. Approval of Minutes

- a. January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting
- b. January 23, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee
- c. January 30, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee
- d. February 6, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee

Move the Board of Education approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting, the January 23, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee Meeting, the January 30, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee Meeting, and the February 6, 2024 Public Forum with Finance Committee Meeting. This motion, made by Mr. Leonard Lockhart and seconded by Mr. Paul Panos, Passed.

Ms. Jill Canter: Yes, Mr. David Furie: Yes, Mr. Jeremy Halek: Yes, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. James Madison: Yes, Mr. Paul Panos: Yes, Ms. Ayana Taylor: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

6. Student Representative Report

Ms. DiFelici spoke about the Black History Month activities held at the high school. She thanked the art department for their mural at JFK school depicting the JFK eagle. There have been several fundraisers held recently as well as various field trips. She gave an update on winter sports and announced that spring sports are beginning.

7. Board of Education

a. President's Report

Move the Board of Education place agenda item 8. Superintendent's Report after item 7.a. President's Report. This motion, made by Ms. Ayana Taylor and seconded by Mr. Paul Panos, Passed.

Ms. Jill Canter: Yes, Mr. David Furie: Yes, Mr. Jeremy Halek: Yes, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. James Madison: Yes, Mr. Paul Panos: Yes, Ms. Ayana Taylor: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Mr. Furie spoke about attending the State Education Committee meeting and Mr. Lockhart spoke as part of a panel on behalf of CABE. He also said that a Legislative Breakfast was held earlier in the day with representatives from HASA, CABE, and CREC. He is looking forward to CABE "Day on the Hill" for high school students interested in state educational processes.

b. Design Plan for Oliver Ellsworth Humidity Mitigation Program by van Zelm Engineers

A representative from Van Zelm Engineers, Mr. Madigan, reviewed the HVAC system and Humidity Study from November 14, 2023, for Oliver Ellsworth School. Similar presentations have been held for Town Council and the Public Building Commission. He reviewed the course of action that was decided upon to update and maintain the ventilation system in the school to prevent past mold issues in the future.

Board members asked questions about options, equipment, and the timeline of the project.

c. Finance Committee's Recommendation regarding the 2024-2025 Financial Plan and Adoption of the 2024-2025 Financial Plan (Anticipated Action)

Prior to the meeting Mr. Panos distributed a "Republican Revised Proposed Budget 2024/2025."

Mr. Furie proposed a ten minute recess, beginning at 8:15 PM.

When the board reconvened at 8:26 PM, discussion on the budget began.

Mr. Panos explained that the hand-out was a compilation of the 4% budget increase requested from Dr. Hill as well as other budget items. He said that the 6.40% budget increase has little chance of passing when presented to the community.

Ms. Taylor spoke on behalf of her caucus and stated that it is out of the question to fully remove SEL, over 30 positions, and the Adult Education department. She also said to consider cutting the membership to CABA is irresponsible.

Ms. Canter said that the revised budget was judiciously selected and that teachers can teach SEL.

Mr. Wolliston said it was audacity to say to the room that someone there would be fired.

Mr. Halek said that no one likes cuts, but in tough times, difficult decisions need to be made.

Mr. King said that the district has been making strides to improve and to cut thirty people is bleak and dystopian.

Mr. Madison said that he appreciates all the effort made on the budget and that the district has been doing an outstanding job and that the Republican's revised budget is a painful option.

Mr. Panos said that consolidating positions would require fewer lesson plans as classes would be larger.

Mr. Lockhart thanked Mr. Panos for offering an alternative, but that he could not support it.

Ms. Taylor said that there were some misrepresentations made in the discussion, and she expressed that the town is sitting on money for a rainy day.

Ms. Canter said that the district would be liable for student injuries if a nurse is unavailable.

Mr. Furie said he cannot support the cuts in the revision.

Both Dr. Hill and Ms. Batchelder clarified some of the impact of the revised budget, such as elementary class sizes of approximately twenty-seven students.

After the revised budget motion did not pass, the discussion on the 6.40% increase continued.

Ms. Taylor said that voters need to be educated on what they get for their money.

Mr. Panos said that staffing cuts have happened in the 90's and 00's and that efficiency needs to be a priority. He said it would be prudent to reject the increase.

Mr. Lockhart stated that the budget increase is for what is needed in the district and that the timing is bad with the revaluation happening. He said that, realistically, the budget could be returned either by the Town Council or as a failed referendum, but quality costs money. He also spoke about unfunded mandates by the state not being sustainable.

Mr. Furie supports the increase.

Move the Board of Education accept the "Republican Revised Proposed 2024/2025" budget with a 3.52% increase. This motion, made by Mr. Paul Panos and seconded by Mr. Jeremy Halek, Failed.

Mr. David Furie: No, Mr. Anthony King: No, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: No, Ms. Ayana Taylor: No, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: No, Ms. Jill Canter: Yes, Mr. Jeremy Halek: Yes, Mr. James Madison: Yes, Mr. Paul Panos: Yes

Yes: 4, No: 5

Move the Board of Education accept the proposed 2024-2025 budget submitted to the Board by Superintendent Dr. Terrell Hill with a 6.40% increase over the current year's budget. This motion, made by Ms. Ayana Taylor and seconded by Mr. Nathan Wolliston, Passed.

Ms. Jill Canter: No, Mr. Jeremy Halek: No, Mr. James Madison: No, Mr. Paul Panos: No, Mr. David Furie: Yes, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Ms. Ayana Taylor: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 4

Move to add .34% or \$255,000 to site 81. This motion, made by Mr. Leonard Lockhart and seconded by Mr. Nathan Wolliston, Failed.

Ms. Jill Canter: No, Mr. David Furie: No, Mr. Jeremy Halek: No, Mr. James Madison: No, Mr. Paul Panos: No, Ms. Ayana Taylor: No, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 3, No: 6

Move the Board of Education add two additional building substitute teachers at each of the four elementary schools for a .33% increase. This motion, made by Mr. Leonard Lockhart and seconded by Mr. Nathan Wolliston, Failed.

Ms. Jill Canter: No, Mr. David Furie: No, Mr. Jeremy Halek: No, Mr. James Madison: No, Mr. Paul Panos: No, Ms. Ayana Taylor: No, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 3, No: 6

d. School Liaison Reports

1. Windsor High School

Ms. Taylor said that the state girl's basketball tournament would be held next week at WHS. She congratulated the six students that participated in Signing Day and all the honor roll recipients.

2. Sage Park Middle School

Mr. King announced Sage Park's participation in the Stock Market Game, and that both boys and girls basketball won trophies.

3. Clover Street School

Mr. Madison spoke about the African American Read-In and a fundraising initiative for the Humane Society at Clover Street School.

4. John F. Kennedy School

Ms. Canter said the band and orchestra concert was in January. The APEX fundraiser is ongoing, as well as field trips, math club, the school store and the K Kids bottle and can drive.

5. Oliver Ellsworth School

There were no updates.

6. Poquonock School

Mr. Halek said that a dance had been held recently. There will be a PTO meeting on March 4 and the March student assembly will host the WHS band. There has been an improvement in attendance recently.

8. Superintendent's Report

This agenda item was addressed after agenda item 7.a. President's Report.

Dr. Hill said that Signing Day was a success with six students being signed for sports at a variety of universities. He announced a new employee wellness program that is intended to offer all district employees opportunities to improve their well-being. There was an African American Read-In at Clover Street School in recognition of Black History Month. Many people from the community participated by reading to classrooms. He attended a panel at CCSU for the 093 program for superintendent interns. The next coffee talk will be held on February 27, 2024.

9. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

10. Other Matters/Announcements/Regular BOE Meetings

- a. Next BOE Regular Meeting is Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 7:00 PM, LPW, Board Room

There were no announcements.

11. Audience to Visitors

There were no speakers.

12. Adjournment

Move to adjourn at 9:59 PM. This motion, made by Ms. Ayana Taylor and seconded by Mr. Paul Panos, Passed.

Ms. Jill Canter: Yes, Mr. David Furie: Yes, Mr. Jeremy Halek: Yes, Mr. Anthony King: Yes, Mr. Leonard Lockhart: Yes, Mr. James Madison: Yes, Mr. Paul Panos: Yes, Ms. Ayana Taylor: Yes, Mr. Nathan Wolliston: Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 PM.

Leonard O. Lockhart, Secretary
Windsor Board of Education

**WINDSOR BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA ITEM**

For Consideration by the Board of Education at the Meeting of: March 19, 2024

Prepared By: Danielle Batchelder

Presented By: Danielle Batchelder
Director of Business Services and HR

Attachments: Details of Legal Opinion – Provided in Executive Session

Subject: Legal Opinion for Transportation Contract

Background:

The board has been discussing the performance of Dattco over the past few years. The Board request a legal opinion on the current transportation contract which expires on 6/30/2026

Status:

Recommendation:

Reviewed by: ACB

Recommended by the Superintendent: TH/sb

Agenda Item # 12.