

Approved
Twinfield Union School Special Board Meeting
Twinfield Union School Library – Zoom & In Person Meeting
Tuesday, December 13, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Call to order by Patrick Healy

In attendance: Patrick Healy, Erin Barry, Janna Osman, Milena Yasus, Sara Cain, Mark Kaufman, Superintendent Mark Tucker, Principal Mark Mooney, Asst Principal Rachel Hartman Student Rep Marianna Cleary, Director of Finance Michael Concessi

Addition: Regional HS Choice FY23/24

Public Comment – none

Consent Agenda

Minutes from November 8, 2022

A **motion** to approve by Sara Cain and seconded by Mark Kaufman. Motion passed.

Superintendent Report – Mark Tucker was present

- State-hired engineer will be coming into Twinfield to do PCB testing after the start of the year.
- No updates yet on an electric bus.
- Question on if Twinfield has any charging stations for personal vehicles – no.

Principal Report – some points highlighted

- Mark has been working on the budget. Esser positions will be coming into the local budget. Interventionist positions have been very beneficial in the school. Mark spoke on the benefits of these positions. Also discussed stewardship role/hire for the school.

Student Service Report – Question on if everyone feels prepared for the new Sped Ed rule changes for FY24 – Mark Tucker noted they will have a better feel on answering that question in the spring. Discussion on training that is taking place at the State level for Act 173.

Student Rep Report – Marianna Cleary

- Model UN – increase in enrollment.
- Ski and Ride will take place in February – Bolton Mtn
- New Athletic Director - students have appreciated how much the director wants to improve sports.
- National Honor Society doing popcorn on Wednesdays.
- Student Voice planning a winter dance for after break. Fundraising being done.

Board Discussion

Winter Appreciation Breakfast for Staff – board discussed plans for the breakfast.

Regional HS Choice – Twinfield in the past has supported receiving 10 students and allowing 10 students to go elsewhere. When a student participates, they get to stay at the school until they graduate unless they choose to go back to their home district. Mark Tucker discussed how the system works and what Twinfield currently has for students in and students out. Currently have 8 potential slots available for students that want to come in and 7 slots available for students to go out.

A **motion** by Sara Cain to continue the 10 Students in and 10 Students out model with authorization for Mark Tucker to sign off on the agreement. Seconded by Mark Kaufman. Motion passed.

CVCC Budget (Jody Emerson) (Presentation/Discussion) – Jody gave the board a budget presentation for CVSS. The budget showed the past enrollment and anticipated enrollment for FY24. Jody showed the tuition rate for CVCC and similar programs/schools. Tuition will be about \$19,251 in FY24. After State payments the tuition charged to the sending school will be around \$8,781. Showed budget by function for CVCC. Student enrollment process discussed. Discussion on tracking students after they leave the programs. Discussion on programs offered at the school.

FY24 Draft Budget (Discussion/Possible Approval) Michael Concessi was present to go over the draft budget. Some points touched on.

- Michael is currently working with State regarding equalized pupil – figure came in from State, but Mike does not believe it is correct.
- Mike went over changes to the budget. Increase in salary and benefits along with positions that are being added to the local funds, LNA assessments, E Sports and a few other items are included in the increase.

Michael went over the CLA and yield rates and how they can affect the budget. Still waiting on final numbers from the State.

Discussion on having an exact/clear/simple explanation of the changes to the budget from last year to this year. Need to start reaching out to the community to give them information on the budget.

Five-year Maintenance Plan (Continued Discussion) Need to get a maintenance plan into place and have it built into the budget each year for Capital Improvements.

Act 1 Equity Changes to EQS – no detailed discussion

Board discussion on looking at the needs list for the school and prioritizing the list.

Future Meetings: Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 6 p.m. - Regular Meeting

A **motion** to adjourn by Janna Osman and seconded. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Nicky Cole