

RSU 54/MSAD 54
SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes
Thursday March 24, 2022 at 6:00 pm
SAHS Library

Members Present: Mark Bedard; Alicia Boulette; Brandy Morgan; Bruce Hurley; Samantha Delorme

Also Present: Lynda Quinn; Janet Burrill; Jon Moody; David Leavitt

1. SRRF Projects:

State School Revolving Renovation Funding has been approved:

1. Elevator SAHS gymnasium for weight room
2. Sprinkler system Canaan Elementary School
3. Windows Canaan Elementary School
4. Three phase electrical upgrade

Discussion about the potential local cost of the above listed projects is 37% of total project cost, at 0% interest. These are school safety life cycle projects through the state school revolving renovation fund. The district will investigate the possibility of a waiver of the sprinkler system at Canaan. The high school elevator project will require a District referendum vote in June. Additional funding opportunities may also likely reduce the cost of the overall total project. Projected maximum local cost not to exceed \$1,863,997.

Recommendation: That the School Board approve moving forward with the above listed projects.

2. ESSER Funds: Ventilation Project

The district will be using federal ESSER funds to support ventilation upgrades at both Canaan and Bloomfield Elementary schools. These projects will complement other projects being coordinated in the district.

3. Pre-K Expansion:

The district was approved for a state funded expansion grant to support expanding Pre-K programming in the district (\$71,564.56). The application for Pre-K expansion needs board approval to move forward. The Committee discussed the district's long-term commitment to providing universal Pre-K for district students.

Recommendation: The School Board approve moving forward with the Pre-K Expansion application.

4. District Budget:

Discussion of the proposed District Budget

Mr. Moody presented the draft budget proposal with explanation of the local impact and that we are still waiting on health insurance and workers comp cost. This status Quo budget includes minimal increases resulting primarily from increased operating costs (fuel, energy, etc.) and from negotiated contracts. Further discussion will take place at the Committee meeting on March 30.

**Next Meeting
March 30, 2022
SAHS Library 6pm**