

Suffield Board of Education
Finance, Facilities & Negotiations Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.
Central Office Conference Room

Present: Michael Sepko, Kendra Wiesel, Susan Mercik Davis, Maureen Sattan, Matt Service,
Debra Dudack, John Richter, Karen Berasi, and Bill Hoff

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Discussion of the \$150,000 Reduction by the Board of Finance to the 2018-2019 Board of Education Budget

- Members discussed the options proposed for the reduction of \$350,000 based on a request from the Board of Finance.
- \$200,000 of the \$350,000 will be offset by health insurance changes leaving \$150,000 for reduction review.
- The committee was presented with several options to reduce the budget by \$150,000.
- While no vote was necessary, board members present agreed to present in full board session the following options to modify the budget:
 1. Adding a parking fee at SHS of \$180 per year per vehicle.
 2. Increasing amount of budget for turnover/vacancy.
 3. Utilizing \$80,459 in the 2017-2018 budget that was going to be returned to the town.
This amount was added last year to the BOE request for 2017-2018 by the Board of Finance due to the uncertainty of the state budget.
- These changes would result in a budget increase of 0.31% for 2018-2019.
- Ms. Berasi agreed that these changes would be included in the upcoming budget review meeting with the town.

III. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.