

JOINT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Concord-Carlisle School Committee  
Concord School Committee  
Zoom Meeting  
June 1, 2021

Present: Sara Wilson, Chair, CCSC  
Heather Bout, Vice Chair, CCSC; CSC  
Courtland Booth, Chair, CSC; CCSC  
Cynthia Rainey, Vice Chair, CSC; CCSC  
Eva Mostoufi, CCSC  
Alexa Anderson, CSC; CCSC  
Fatima Mezdad, CSC; CCSC

Present from Administration: Dr. Laurie Hunter, Superintendent of Schools, CPS & CCRSD  
Jared Stanton, Director of Finance & Operations, CPS & CCRSD

**I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Ms. Wilson called the CCSC meeting to order at 6:33 PM and Mr. Booth then called the CSC meeting to order, noting that it was being recorded. Roll call attendance was taken: Anderson, aye; Booth, aye; Bout, aye; Mezdad, aye; Rainey, aye; Wilson, aye.

**II. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Revote FY22 CCRSD Budget. Mr. Stanton stated that, if re-voted, the CCRSD budget would remain the same, but the assessments would be reduced due to the surplus, noting that the E&D offset would be increased. Mr. Stanton reviewed the surplus recommendations, including special education prepay, MacBook Air prepaids, bus replacement, and design services for an amenities building. Ms. Rainey asked Mr. Stanton to further explain how the budget would remain the same but assessments would be reduced. Mr. Stanton stated that the costs would remain the same next year, noting the general fund budget is what the assessments are based on. He stated that there would be a surplus that can be used to offset the assessments by increasing the E&D amount. He stated that, by increasing the E&D amount, there is a formula that drives it based on enrollments that would provide new assessment numbers.

Regarding the stabilization fund, Mr. Stanton stated that it would be an additional contingency that the district would have to use for capital projects and will offset assessments for any future projects. He stated that funds would also help offset any unknown future capital needs at CCHS. Ms. Bout noted the importance of putting money aside for the paving and lighting. Ms. Rainey noted her concern for having a large amount of money in the stabilization fund that was not earmarked for specific items.

A motion was made by Ms. Bout, for CCSC, seconded by Mr. Booth, for CCSC, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,759,374 as the Town's apportioned share of the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; and that the same be expended only for such purposes and under the direction of the Concord Carlisle Regional School Committee. After increasing the Excess and Deficiency total from \$300,000 to \$600,000 because of a budget surplus in FY21, Concord's assessment is \$24,376,779 and Carlisle's assessment is \$7,150,354. The motion passed by roll call: Anderson, aye; Booth, aye; Bout, aye; Mezdad, aye; Mostoufi, aye; Rainey, aye; Wilson, aye.

**A. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Executive Session. A motion was made by Ms. Bout, for CSC and CCSC, seconded by Mr. Booth, for CSC and CCSC, that the Concord School Committee and Concord-Carlisle Regional School Committee will enter into Executive Session under Purpose 2 of the Open Meeting Law: To conduct strategy sessions with all non-union personnel and Purpose 3 of the Open Meeting Law: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with collective bargaining units: Concord Teachers' Association, Concord-Carlisle Teachers' Association, Local 1703, State Council 93, AFL-CIO CPS Building Service Workers, CCHS Building Service Workers, Maintenance, and not return to Open Session. The motion passed by roll call: Anderson, aye (for both); Booth, aye (for both); Bout, aye (for both); Mezdad, aye (for both); Mostoufi, aye; Rainey, aye (for both); Wilson, aye.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Bout, seconded by Ms. Rainey. The motion passed by roll call: Anderson, aye; Booth, aye; Bout, aye; Mezdad, aye; Mostoufi, aye; Rainey, aye; Wilson, aye, and Executive Session adjourned at 9:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin E. Higgins

Approved 7.28.21

Abbreviations:

CCHS	Concord-Carlisle High School
CCRSD	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District
CCSC	Concord-Carlisle Regional District School Committee
CCTA	Concord-Carlisle Teachers' Association
CEF	Concord Education Fund
CMS	Concord Middle School
CMSBC	Concord Middle School Building Committee
CPS	Concord Public Schools
CSC	Concord School Committee
E&D	Excess and Deficiency
OPEB	Other Post Employment Benefits
PD	Professional Development
SC	School Committee
SOI	Statement of Interest